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News Briefs

Suspect Arraigned In Grayling Woman's Death

John Phillips, 25, of Grayling, was arraigned in 83rd District Court here Tuesday, Feb. 9, on a charge of open murder in connection with the death of Tracy Moon, 18, of Grayling.

City police found Moon dead at 7 a.m. Monday, Feb. 8, on the bedroom floor in a duplex apartment at 610 Spruce St. Preliminary examination found multiple cuts and wounds on the body and indicated the cause of death as homicide.

Grayling Post Offices Announces New Hours

Budget cuts in the Postal Service have forced the Grayling Post Office to adjust its hours.

Beginning Saturday, Feb. 13, the post office window hours will be 8 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-4 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m.-noon Saturday. The lobby will be open 6 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 6:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

The Frederic Post Office hours will remain the same, 8-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and 8-11:30 a.m. Saturday for the window. The lobby is open 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and 7:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday.

6 County Special Olympians Head for State Winter Games

Six Crawford County Special Olympics will be participants at this year's Michigan Winter Special Olympics being held February 9-12 at Sugarloaf and Homestead Ski Resorts near Traverse City. The Grayling area athletes are part of a group of 15 who are representing Area 4 which also includes Roscommon, Ogemaw and Oscoda Counties.

Local athletes attending the games are cross country skiers Crystal Daniels, age 8; Renee Gammon, age 10; Chris Nowlin, 8; Todd Robertson, 9; and downhill racers Tom Drouillard, age 10, and Chris Wylie, 18. Those individuals will join 600 others from across the state in a quest for gold, silver and bronze medals.

The fifteen Olympians, who are representing Area 4, were chosen from the 100 local athletes who competed at the local games held January 27th at Hanson Hills in Grayling. During that competition the athletes took part in races and training clinics. A number of local organizations including the Grayling Eagles, Grayling Moose Lodge, Hanson Hills Ski Patrol, Crawford County Ambulance and the Shawano Center provided volunteers.

4 Teams Already Entered In First Pictionary Olympics

The challenges and fun are just beginning in anticipation of the first ever "Pictionary Olympics" to be held Thursday, February 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the K of C Hall in Grayling. Already the Grayling Promotional Association have challenged the members of the Grayling Rotary Club to participate in the event.

Area businesses and organizations planning to sponsor a team of four contestants should send their \$50 sponsor fee (a donation to the 1988 AuSable Milltown Festival) to the Grayling Chamber of Commerce. Mac's Drugs and Mercy Hospital have entered teams in the Pictionary Olympics, and it is hoped that 15 teams will try for the top prizes of gold, silver and bronze trophies.

Bragging rights can be earned when the four contestants successfully draw and name the word or phrase within the timed one-minute period, competing against other teams. The hit game Pictionary will be used for categories and words, while the game will be played similar to the "Win, Lose or Draw" game shown evenings at 7:30 p.m. on TV 7 & 4.

For more information about this fund raising event for the 1988 AuSable Milltown Festival, contact Mary Jo Conway at 348-5461, extension 368, during business hours.

Free Reading Help Offered

Do you know someone who can't read this article? Always orders the "special" in restaurants? Can't follow directions on a medicine bottle? Has trouble with job applications? Free confidential tutoring on a one-to-one basis is now available to residents of Crawford County and surrounding areas for help in basic reading, writing, and math skills. This program is offered by the Crawford AuSable Literacy Network sponsored by the Crawford AuSable School District. Potential students and others interested in this program may contact Elizabeth Jackson, director of the Adult Learning Center, at 348-5459, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or Howard Taylor, 348-7641 at the Community School Office, Monday through Thursday during the day and evenings for more information.

Accuracy Test Scheduled

The Crawford AuSable School District accuracy test for the Special February 15th School Election will be held on Friday, February 12, 1988, at 11:00 a.m. at 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling.

Avalanche To Increase Newspaper Price to 35¢

Beginning March 1, 1988, the cost of a single Crawford County Avalanche will increase from 25 to 35 cents an issue. Subscriptions will increase from \$10 to \$12 for local residents and from \$11 to \$13 for out-of-town readers.

The last increase in price for the Avalanche was from 20 to 25 cents a copy on June 1st, 1981.

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City OK's \$4,109,000 Sewage Expansion Plan

By Don Geiss

The Grayling City Council has approved a plan for renovation and expansion of the sewage treatment facility at a cost of \$4,109,000.

The proposed plan for the improvements was the subject of a public hearing on January 11, 1988, but there were no citizens present to speak about the project. The purpose of the hearing was to present the updated cost figures and how higher construction cost and the changed formula for federal and state grants changed the typical customer charge.

The present charge for a typical residential customer is \$11.70 sewage charges only on each 13,000 gallons per quarter year. The cost per typical residential customer will increase to \$30.68 for 13,000 gallons per quarter year of sewage charges only.

City Manager Jerry Morford emphasized that the use costs are based upon receiving the grant. He noted that the increased costs will still be the lowest of any community in Northern Lower Michigan and less than half of the surrounding communities.

The resolution authorizing the construction will permit the city to apply for a grant through the Environmental Protection Agency Clean Water Act (EPCWA) which if approved will cover about 70 percent of the construction costs.

The city portion of the construction costs will be met with a bond issue of \$1,270,250. It was pointed out in the public hearing in answer to a question about financing by Council person Dorothy Latuszek that the typical customer charge will not go down while the bond issue is outstanding (20 years).

Plans for the renovation and expansion have been underway since May of 1981 but now the city must have a specific plan and

construction schedule by July 1, 1988 or be subject to civil penalty fines after that date.

The changes in the system will increase the capacity from the present 360,000 gallons per day to 550,000 gallons. Morford said that the system is now overloaded since it takes in more than it is designed to treat. He said, "It is absolutely essential to make improvements now to insure adequate treatment for present needs and future growth."

Morford said that a very rough estimate of the current flow of sewage is about 425,000 gallons per day. He agreed that the expansion to handle 550,000 gallons per day does not leave much room for growth but commented that the present vacant property in the city, if utilized, will not cause overuse of the proposed system. He added that only an annexation of property to the city or the addition of a major industry could overtax it.

The plans call for the installation of larger pumps in the station at Ingham and Maple Streets. A fourth aeration cell (pond) at the treatment facility will be added which in combination with the existing three cells will provide for 30 days retention. A completely new aeration system will be implemented for all of the cells.

Also included in the renovation will be a sealed storage pond which will store waste water during the non-irrigation (winter) season. A 18-inch force main and pumping facilities will transfer treated waste water to an irrigation site. The irrigation site will consist of approximately 160 acres east of the existing facility. Included in the system will be a sprinkler system to distribute the water over the irrigation area.

The sewage treatment facility is located in Section 21, Township 26 North, Range 3 West. It is south of Shellenbarger Lake and lies between the Detroit and Mackinaw railroad tracks and Barker Lake Road.

City Approves \$310,000 In Street Improvements

By Don Geiss

The Grayling City Council Monday night authorized a request for bids on a street improvement program that will cost about \$310,000.

Plans call for the bids to be submitted by March 3 which will allow time to study them prior to a council meeting on March 14 when the final award will be made.

Streets to be improved along with appropriate sewer work include Erie, Plum and Elm between Lake Street and Michigan Avenue. Also improved will be Ottawa and Ogemaw from Rose Street to Park Street.

In addition to the street work, the alley behind the stores on Michigan Avenue between

Mac's Drug Store and Corner Book Store will be paved. The short section between the front and rear of the book store will not be paved because the city does not own the right of way on that piece.

Also planned is the paving of the parking lot at the City Park in front of the Chamber of Commerce building and the new playground next to the library.

A representative for Richards and Associates, Inc., the engineers for the project, said that construction is planned to begin shortly after April 1 and be completed by June 30. City Manager Jerry Morford said that hopefully the program will be completed by May 30.

City Gives 12-Year 50% Tax Abatement To Georgia Pacific

By Don Geiss

The Grayling City Council, Monday night approved a tax abatement plan for Georgia Pacific should funding be authorized by the company for a new distribution and manufacturing facility in the city Industrial Park.

The tax plan calls for abatement of 50 percent of the tax for a period of 12 years.

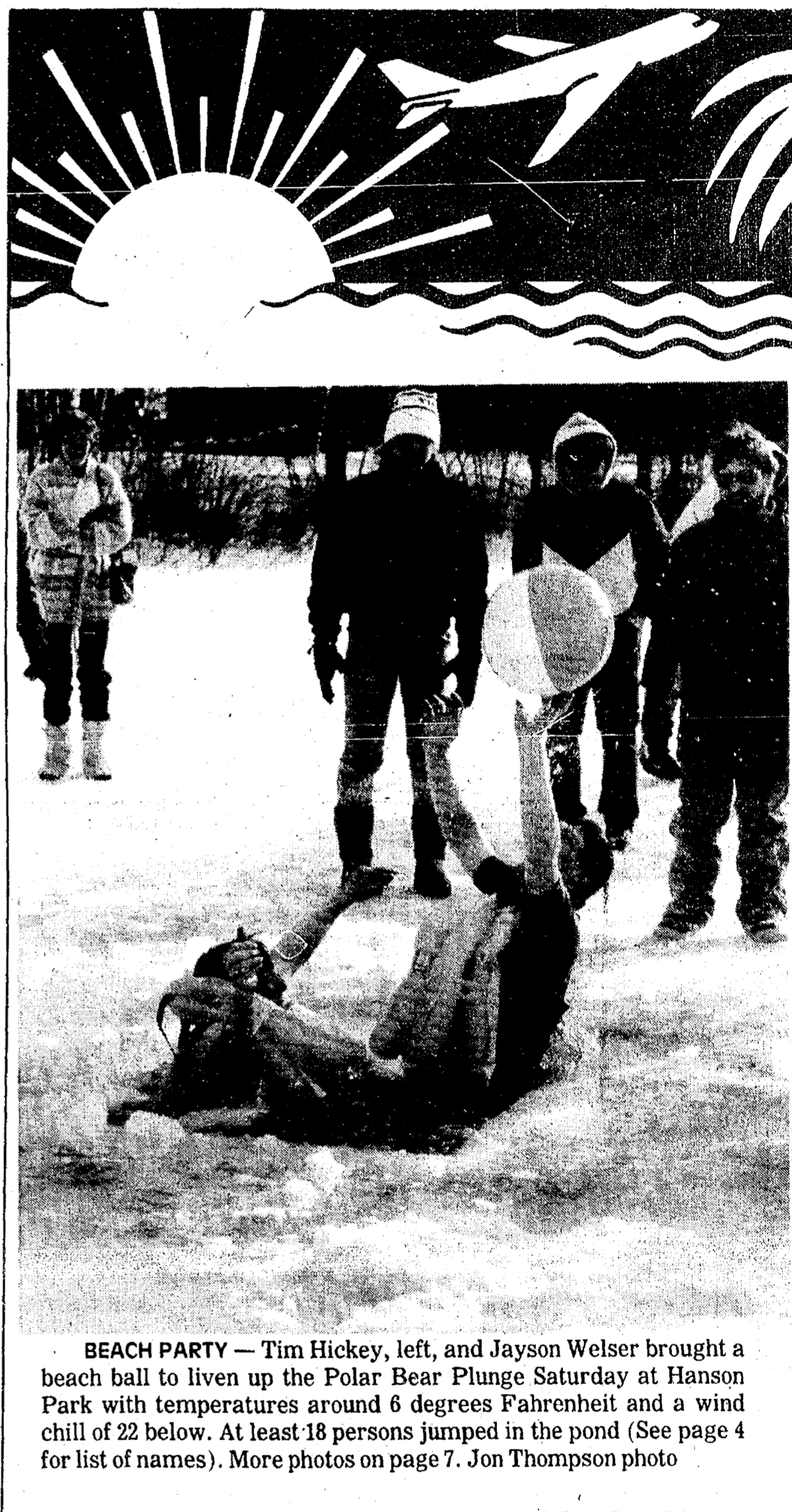
At the meeting, a motion was first made by Councilperson Doty Latuszek allowing the tax reduction for eight years. She said that the degree of abatement must be based on a formula of the number of new employees the company would hire if the new facility were built.

After a good deal of discussion the motion was changed to an abatement period of 10 years but Councilman Sandy Thompson

spoke favoring the full 12 years as necessary to insuring that the company will build here. He pointed out that half of a large tax fee is better than zero taxes.

The motion to make the time period 10 years was defeated and Thompson's motion for the 12 years was then approved. Latuszek as well as the remainder of the council emphasized that there was no personal antagonism toward the company. They wished them well on planning for the new facility.

City Manager Jerry Morford emphasized that the document approved by the city for abatement will now be sent to the Michigan Department of Commerce where they will be the final judge on the matter. He warned that the final approval will not be obtained rapidly.



BEACH PARTY — Tim Hickey, left, and Jayson Welsner brought a beach ball to liven up the Polar Bear Plunge Saturday at Hanson Park with temperatures around 6 degrees Fahrenheit and a wind chill of 22 below. At least 18 persons jumped in the pond (See page 4 for list of names). More photos on page 7. Jon Thompson photo

2 School Proposals On Feb. 15th Ballot

Enrollment increases projected at 240 students for the next four school years is a primary reason for a Monday, Feb. 15, millage election in the Crawford AuSable School District.

Enrollment jumped by 80 students this year. Large Kindergarten and first grade classes of 165 students each helped push the district total to 1,884 students. Large Kindergarten classes are expected to continue and increase the district's total enrollment to 2,124 by 1991. An estimated ten and a half teaching positions, mostly at the elementary level, will have to be added within three years.

While enrollment is increasing fast, revenues for the district are not. Slow property value growth in the school district over the last two has averaged 1.5 percent. The property value growth is expected to remain at about 1.5 percent for the next three years.

The predicted increases in enrollment and the projected slow property value growth are big reasons for an estimated \$2.3 million in budget deficits over the next four years for the school district unless there's a funding change.

To make a funding change, the school board has called for two separate ballot issues on Feb. 15. The first issue asks for 21.85 mills to continue existing programs. This base issue includes a renewal of 17.9 mills plus an additional 3.95 mills. The 17.9

mills was approved by voters in April of 1985 and it expires in June of 1988.

The proposed additional mills of 3.95 will be partially offset by a projected 1.25 mill reduction in the school debt retirement millage. As the bond issues for school buildings are paid, the debt retirement millage is reduced.

With this reduction, the proposed base millage request would result in an overall increase of 2.7 mills above the current millage rate if passed by voters.

Proposal II, separate from proposal I, asks for 1 mill for these main areas:

- * restoration of programs cut in 1981; high school and middle school vocal music, high school library assistant.
- * elementary counseling program
- * restoration of maintenance contracts on heating and ventilating equipment
- * additional maintenance personnel and projects including Grayling Elementary School and high school paving, playground maintenance and improvements, bus replacement, energy management, and equipment repair and replacement.

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at three places:

- Precinct 1: Grayling Middle School
- Precinct 2: Frederic Elementary gym
- Precinct 3: Lovells Township Hall

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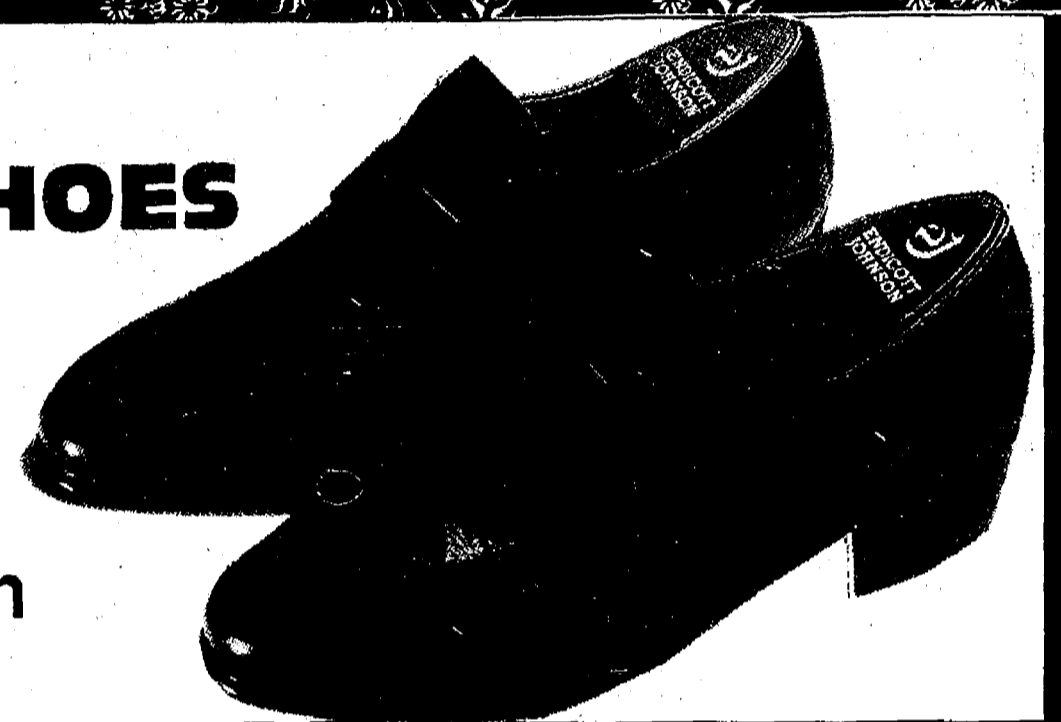
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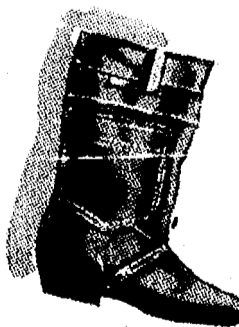
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This winter millions of Americans will turn their attention to the Fiftieth Winter Olympiad, in Calgary, Alberta, where national honor and hometown pride will pit men and women, from the world over, against one another in the struggle for athletic supremacy.

With our eyes glued to our televisions we will win and die with our athletes, and for most of us, we will dream a thousand

dreams of what we, ourselves, could have been. But for us those are only dreams. For Brett Stockton of Grayling, those dreams could very easily become realities.

Brett's dream is a gold medal at the 1988 Summer Olympics in Seoul, Korea. As a member of the U.S. Amateur Kayaking team, Brett's chances of achieving his goal are good. He has distinguished himself in water racing sports for many years, despite

his youth. Brett has won the gruelling AuSable Canoe Marathon for five of the past six years. In America and Europe Brett has kayaked his way into the top four athletes on the American team. He is within striking distance of a berth on the 88 Olympic team where he has a good shot at the gold medal.

The only obstacle in Brett's way, oddly, is a quirk in our system of funding American amateur athletes. Our country sends millions of dollars in foreign aid to other countries which subsidize their amateur athletes, but our government spends nothing on our own athletes.

Consequently, Brett and all of our athletes are forced to spend valuable training time raising money to support their very expensive quests.

In mid February Brett will leave for Florida where his team will train one last

time prior to the Olympic trials. The people of Grayling and all people who have ever dreamed of what could have been should help Brett. Your reward may be a share in an Olympic gold medal, won in Seoul and brought home to Grayling for all to take pride in.

An account has been established at the Grayling State Bank on behalf of Brett Stockton and periodically all funds will be sent to the National Paddling Committee of the American Canoe Association for reimbursement to Brett.

Please help his dream come true. Send your check today, made out to "Go for the Gold, Brett". Send it to the Grayling State Bank, Grayling, MI 49738.

And tune your TV in September to cheer Brett on at the Fiftieth Summer Olympiad.

\$500 Medallion Found On Last Day of Hunt

By Jon Thompson

For all you frustrated medallion hunters, you won't even want to read how Tom Miller, of Frederic, found the \$500 big medallion.

During the 12-day hunt, Miller went out looking only twice; the second time he found the big medallion on a jack pine tree in the middle of a "Y" where F-97 and M-18 meet in South Branch Township in Crawford County.

Miller went out Saturday, Jan. 30, in the late afternoon and followed F-97 to the Roscommon County line and then searched a clear-cut area just south of the "Y."

"I looked around the "Y" on Saturday but just didn't have enough clues to go on then," said Miller.

By Thursday morning, the last day of the hunt, Miller said he had it pretty well figured out and took 1½ hours off work to go look.

He found it right away at 11:30 a.m. after walking about 25 paces into the woods in the middle of the "Y."

"There were tracks all over other parts of the woods but where I walked in there wasn't any tracks for 40 or 50 feet," said Miller. "There were signs on both F-97 and M-18 with arrows on them. I lined them up so I was in the middle and when I looked up I saw it between two large jack pines tied to a small one. It was hidden pretty well and you wouldn't notice it unless you were close to it."

Miller said Clue #2 sent him in the right direction. Then the "Y" pinpointed the location for him.

"I was born and raised here and know all the roads and places," he said. "I know that was about the only natural Y in a roadway around."

The clue that said arrows are big followed by one that said signs are important helped Miller figure out where to walk into the woods.

"This was the first hunt I've went out looking. The last two years I worked on the clues for fun but never went out looking."

Here's more information that will make some medallion hunters groan: Besides a small amount of gas spent on his two trips, Miller figured it cost \$2.25 to find the medallion — \$2.00 for a winter carnival button and 25 cents he spent on the Avalanche one day for the clues. Some medallion hunters said they were driving more than 100 miles some days.

Here's a look at the 24 clues:

1) This clue warned hunters some false clues were going to be mixed in among the clues.

2) This was a dual clue. There was a small medallion on the F-97 sign near the M-72 East blinker and it helped point big medallion hunters to F-97 south.

3) False clue

4) Small medallion on Smith Bridge sign found by Jerry Micek.

5) Dual clue. It told big medallion hunters to divide numbers by two and pointed out small medallion on Smokey's neck in front of city hall found by Tom Prater.

6) false clue

7) First part indicated a compass would help; second part was another false clue.

8) Dual clue. First mention of "Y." Also clue for small medallion on Legion tank found by Kathy Lovely.

9) Small medallion found by Scott Wyskiel on eternal flame in front of courthouse.

10) First part is false clue; second part narrows letters to Y and Z.

11) "Arrows are big" clue referred to arrows on F-97 and M-18 signs at "Y." Big medallion was in woods in between both signs about 25 paces in from road from either sign.

12) County museum sign near caboose had a small medallion found by Gerald Casey.

13) GHS auditorium sign had small medallion found by Kenny Bindschatel.

14) Told hunters to go 25 paces. The words "A up to B" were false clues to throw off hunters and keep them thinking the medallion was up on a hill.

15) Small medallion found by Cheri Blaine on Hartwick Pines entrance sign.

16) First part told hunters big medallion was on a jack pine; second part was another false clue to mislead hunters.

17) Finally told hunters the letter was Y. Because this was the third clue mentioning the letters, many hunters correctly guessed the Y was an important clue.

18) Small medallion at outside drinking fountain at Frederic I-75 rest area found by Kathy Bendig.

19) Small medallion at Frederic village pavilion found by Scott Kolka.

20) The "Y" is located about 24 miles southeast from Mt. Frederic.

21) Small medallion found on Co. Rd. 612 bridge over AuSable west of Frederic by Scott Wakeley.

22) Told hunters where F-97 turns to Kirtland Community College (the Y) is an important spot.

23) Small medallion on Slow Children sign

on road to Mt. Frederic found by Minard Harwood, Jr.

24) Final clue not needed

In addition, the first letters on the 24 clues spelled out "Mt. Frederic has a great view SE (South East)". This coupled with clue 20 made it a valuable clue to find the Y.

Many people early in the hunt were led to Mt. Frederic by the first letters and false clues.

But the rules for the hunt published in the Avalanche for two weeks stated the medallions are on public property. Mt. Frederic is private property owned by Shell. The misspelling of Mt. Frederic also stopped some people from continuing to look for the big medallion there.

Another pattern clue for big medallion hunters were the small medallions. They were placed in a line extending from Mt. Frederic roughly to F-97.

This was the 5th annual Grayling Winter Sports Carnival medallion hunt and it was the only one to go down to the last day.

1. My dear big medallion hunters, this clue is for you: only half what we say is going to be true.

2. The force may be with you, in your quest for the height, near one four four East, just south of a light that's yellow and blinks and this ain't no joke, near all that land of old Sheriff Smoke.

3. From a river go on a westerly stop; fill up your tank for a trip to the top.

4. Read the directions to open the fridge, and then you must stop past the Paul Smith Bridge.

5. Even Smokey the Bear says what you must do is take every number and divide by two; and by the way, to win a good bet have you looked at Smokey's neck yet?

6. Do not be fooled by the directions you take, just find yourself around a lost lake.

7. Real hunters will take a compass in hand and strive to look past some animal land.

8. In the clues that will follow, I'm one of three, just take your pick, I'm X, Y, or Z; to all our veterans who took a shot, we just say to you, Gee, tanks a lot.

9. Can all of you see the eternal light, it should be lit — what a wonderful sight.

10. Here we now go just over the ridge, the first thing we see is a big old twin bridge; if you're looking for treasure and can't find the spot, you'll just want to know that X I am not.

11. Arrows are big in this hunt so nice, let's spruce it up with sugar and spice.

12. Signs are important around the caboose, if you can't find me here, you'll hang from a noose.

13. Auditoriums are healthy signs for the youths, this one is easier than finding the caboose.

14. Go 50 paces from A up to B, stop and look, a medallion you'll see.

15. Right at the entrance of a state park sign, you'll find some treasure, the fun will be fine.

16. Everyone knows the jack pine is great, but the monarch is grand if you're not too late.

17. All of you hunters that now wish to see, can take those 3 letters and knock out the Z.

18. Tired hunters should rest in the north where it's swell, and quench your thirst in the old wishing well.

19. Village pavilions will protect you from rain, and also shield you from a speeding train.

20. Into the hills you must go to the top, when you get there, just come to a stop; take out your compass and southeast so far look 48 miles to see where you are.

21. Everyone knows that gold is worth more at AuSable Bridge on Road one two two four.

22. Wise people know what treasure is in store, if they find themselves on F one nine four.

23. Slow children sign across railroad tracks holds treasure for you, don't break your backs.

24. Early to bed and early to rise, good hunters will find a big surprise if on jack pine they look up ten feet high smack in the center of an upside down Y; the junction you seek where there's money galore is at M three six and F one nine four; good luck to you all, in your golden quest, the treasure you seek will go to the best.

Benefit Dance Scheduled For 2-Month-Old Local Boy

There will be a Benefit Dance held for two month old Ryan Andrew McCauslin, son of David and Denise (Campeau) McCauslin.

Ryan was born December 17, 1988 at Mercy Hospital in Grayling and was transferred later to Sparrow Hospital in Lansing where he has been treated for a thrombocytopenia condition, which is a low platelet count in the blood.

There also has been a complication of blockage of the

ventricles of the brain, which has been corrected by the installation of a shunt device which will assist in his recovery.

He currently is in intensive care at Sparrow Hospital and is in stable condition at this time.

The dance will be held at the American Legion Hall in Grayling on Saturday, February 20, from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. Dee-jay for the dance will be Lee Rieger, spinning

cruise and oldies. There will be raffles and a 50-50 drawing.

Dancing, refreshments and snacks are included in the entry fee of \$5.00 per person. Extra donations are welcome and the public is invited. Advanced tickets are on sale at the K mart and Elias Brothers' Big Boy restaurant in Grayling.

The dance is sponsored by friends and co-workers of David and Denise McCauslin.

Band Boosters Seek Used Band Instruments

The Viking Band Boosters will be changing their monthly meeting dates for the remainder of the 1987-88 school year. The meetings will be held on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the Middle School Band room.

Thurs., Feb. 18th, will be the next scheduled Booster meeting. All interested persons are welcome and if you are a band parent we urge you to come.

The Boosters are asking for donations of used instruments. If you have any that are not in use, and would like to make a donation please contact Mr. Ormsbee at the school (or Mrs. Burkley).

The music department is involved in many activities during the winter months. Many students participated in the District solo ensemble festival held in Gaylord last Saturday. The senior high band Jazz Band Concert will be Feb. 25th at the high school. Feb. 27th is Sr. high

band festival in Traverse City. The middle school band concert is scheduled for March 3rd and the middle school band festival is Sat., March 5th.

All festival events are open to the public at no charge. If you would like to chaperone any of these events please contact Mr. Ormsbee or Jane Larson.

Avalanche Deadlines For News, Advertising

The deadline for community news in the Crawford County Avalanche is Monday, noon. Community news turned in by noon, Monday, will appear in that week's Avalanche, space permitting.

Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday, noon, to appear in the next issue, space permitting.

The deadline for classified advertising is Tuesday, noon. The deadline for display advertising for full and half-page ads or color ads is Thursday, 5 p.m. The deadline for all other display ads is Friday, 5 p.m.



GRAYLING *Regional Chamber of Commerce*

Calendar of Events

February 10 9:00 a.m.	C.O.A. Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar Walk-in basis K of C Bingo
6:30 p.m.	
February 11 10:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mercy Hospital Auxiliary Board meeting Mercy Hospital Auxiliary Regular meeting Dinner Theatre, Holiday Inn, D.J.'s Blind Pig \$15.00 per ticket. Performance begins at 8:00 American Legion Bingo Right to Life lecture, St. Mary's Family Center Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at City Hall
7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	
8:00 p.m. February 12 11:30 a.m.	C.O.A. South Branch Satellite, 12:00 dinner, 12:30 dance with Tina Dinner Theatre, Holiday Inn, D.J.'s Blind Pig. \$15.00 per ticket. Performance begins at 8:00.
6:30 p.m.	Eagles Bingo Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Mary's Church
7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	
February 13 6:30 p.m.	Dinner Theatre, Holiday Inn, D.J.'s Blind Pig. \$15.00 per ticket. Performance begins at 8:00.
February 14 Noon	St. Valentine's Day "Have a Heart for Missions" Potluck Dinner, Free Methodist Church. Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Francis' Episcopal Church
3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Hanson Hills Bingo, at K of C Hall Film at Free Methodist Church - Subject on Africa
February 15 7:00 p.m. February 16 3:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:00-7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout meeting behind Goodale's Bakery C.O.A. Kitchen Band C.O.A. movie - National Geographic special Pancake Supper at St. Francis' Episcopal Church A.B.W.A. Chapter meeting Grayling Youth Booster Club Bingo at Patty's Country House. Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at Chief Shoppenagons Hotel
7:00 p.m.	
8:00 p.m.	
February 17 9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	C.O.A. Blood pressure and blood sugar clinic - Walk-in K of C Bingo Lions/Lioness joint meeting at Holiday Inn. Presentation regarding millage for C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District.
7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Communion Service at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church
7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service at St. Francis' Episcopal Church

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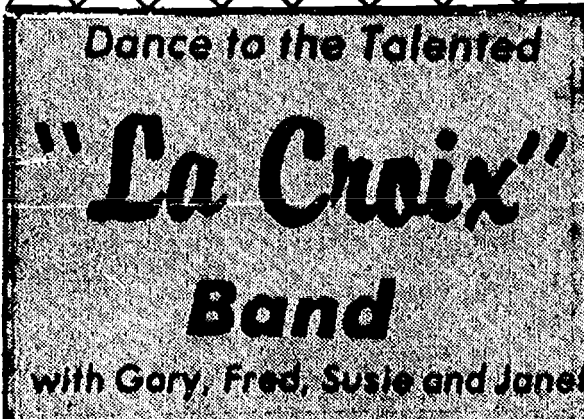
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Weather

Courtesy of C.F. Flick

				Snow on Ground
Feb.	Hi	Lo		Woods
2	19	0		11.0
3	27	-3		10.0
4	17	3		9.5
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Opinions

Northern Views

By Jon Thompson



The drum roll please ... and the honor roll for the 1988 1st Grayling Winter Sports Carnival Polar Bear Plunge is Mark Hubbard, John Kraus, Kevin Frances, Rosanna Rakoczy, Pete Kocenas, Billy Thayer, Lisa Canfield, P.J. McNamara, Bill Hart, William Auger, Becky Nelson, Bud Ostrowski, Terry Neilson, Todd Hull, Kathy Partin, Steve Peterson, Tim Hickey, and Jayson Welsler.

There may have been a few more. Many people jumped in after the crowd left. Bill Hart was the first one to jump in while the large crowd cheered. P.J. McNamara and Pete Kocenas enjoyed the plunge so much they went in twice.

You have to give them all a hand. It won't get much colder than it was Saturday.

I think the old winter sports carnival

may be on its way back. Most of the new events like the plunge, furniture races, snow volleyball, were hits. Coupled with favorites like the downhill canoe race, the medallion hunt, and Queen's pageant, that makes a lot of interesting events.

Oh, one last thing. Any complaints about this year's carnival? You know where you can take them? Right to the first 1989 carnival meeting. It isn't fair to complain about volunteer help unless you're willing to step forward and volunteer your time.

The medallion hunt seemed to work out well this year going down to the last day. We've already got a spot picked to hide it next year. Want a hint? It's on public property in Crawford County.

Guess who won the four-wheeler given away at the carnival? Larry McNamara, the unlucky Irishman.

Almanack

The Tale Must Yet Unfold

by Richard Milliman



NOBODY knows yet what really happened at the Michigan Republican State Convention in Grand Rapids a few days ago.

Oh, sure. There are certain certifiable results — varying according to whom you choose to believe.

For example, the formalized party leadership — such as the state chairman, national committee members, and their cohorts — believe the party elected 77 delegates to the national nominating convention in August in New Orleans, most of whom will support George Bush.

The count of the "regular" delegation will be Bush 37, Rep. Jack Kemp 32, Rev. Pat Robertson 8. These delegates, and a like number of alternates, were selected in the "regular" convention on the first floor of the convention hall.

BUT DOWNSTAIRS, in another convention hall, another band of Republicans, about 1,000 strong, also were meeting. This "rump" convention also selected 77 delegates to go to the national Republican nominating convention in New Orleans in August. The county of the "rump" delegation will be Robertson 43, Kemp 21, and Bush 13.

Which one is real — the regular or the rump? Each side believes it is the official delegation and eventually will end up voting in New Orleans.

Chances are that the "regular" or Bush delegation will win out, and wind up on the floor of the New Orleans convention. But it's not a cinch.

If the Robertson campaign has any life left by August, you can lay odds that the "rump" Robertson delegation from Michigan will press its claim for legitimacy, and cause quite a hassle in New Orleans.

IF ON THE other hand the Robertson candidacy has run out of steam by August, it's a pretty good bet that the "rump" Robertson delegation from Michigan will be just a footnote in history, with the 77 "rump" delegates placing their questionable credentials in scrapbooks, attesting to a footnote in Michigan political history.

If Robertson forces control the national convention picture by August, these 77 Michigan "rump" delegates likely would be seated; if Bush forces are stronger, they won't.

So what really happened in Grand Rapids? It all depends on what happens after Grand Rapids.

THE BROADER PICTURE — As for Republican politics in Michigan, much more evolving must occur before the long-range ef-

fects of the Robertson-Bush class can be determined.

Bush backers generally come from what has been the dominant part of the Republican party in Michigan — starting from the so-called moderates within the party, but extending well beyond that part of the spectrum into somewhat conservative areas.

Aligned on the other side of the internal struggle for power are the old-line hard-line party conservatives, plus an entirely new element: The Robertson-inspired evangelical newcomers to the political arena.

THE OLD-LINE Republican conservatives have been generally sitting in the back rows of the Michigan Republican inner circle since before the days of Govs. George Romney and William Milliken. In essence, they have been on the outside looking in for a couple of generations.

The Robertson-type newcomers have provided a rallying point and a vehicle which the old-time hard-line perennial second-runners can ride to the fore. It is this combination which has been at the crux of the challenge to the established more moderate-oriented control of the Michigan GOP structure.

For many of the newcomers, allegiance is first to the credos represented by Pat Robertson, and only secondly to the Republican Party. In the 1988 campaign, their religious zeal has become wedded to a new political zeal, imbedded in righteousness and purpose.

DO THEY HAVE political staying power, after the 1988 campaign is done? That's the real unanswered question.

If they do, then the moderates who have controlled the GOP apparatus in Michigan must find some sort of accommodation with them — or lose control to a more conservative coalition.

And if such an accommodation can be forged, then the Republican Party will be much, much stronger, in Michigan and across the country, then it has been before.

Stranger things have happened in politics. Consider the New Deal coalition that Franklin Delano Roosevelt put together — northern blacks and southern whites, big city bosses and hard-luck farmers, gruff union bosses and the intellectual elite, and so on.

The Roosevelt coalition, unlikely as it appears on the surface, was dominant in American politics for at least 30 years, and still has significant influence.

It could happen again — only at the other end of the political spectrum, and in the other major American political party.

Letters to the Editor

Quality Education Is The Lifeblood Of Community

Dear Editor:
A few months ago, upon the request of my employer, my family and I started to contemplate a move to Grayling.

One of the primary considerations in making this large decision was the quality of education offered by the Crawford AuSable School District. We contacted Mr. Reynolds, who was very cooperative in sending us curriculum guides, schedules, newspaper articles and a large volume of

general information concerning the school district. We also talked with a number of citizens in the community concerning the quality of education offered to Grayling students.

Our investigation was conclusive that the citizens of the Crawford AuSable District should be very proud of their school educators, programs and facilities.

I started my employment in Grayling three weeks ago and immediately became aware of the upcoming

school millage election on February 15, 1988. I will not be physically moving to Grayling until my children are out of school in June and therefore will not have the opportunity to vote in the election. With all my heart I am hoping that the citizens of this fine community will continue to support our schools like they have in the past.

Quality education is the lifeblood of any community.

Sincerely,
Richard T. Albee,
Grayling State Bank

What Would Good Communists Do In Crawford County?

Dear Jon,
I'll have to assume the people who make up the AuSable Manistee Action Council (AMAC) and those who wrote the letter of disinformation to members of Anglers of the AuSable are good, patriotic citizens, but they are doing exactly what I would do if I were a communist living in Crawford County.

It is the duty of every good communist to do all he or she can towards bankrupting the U.S.A. or helping to destroy the industrial/military might of the Country. If you live in Crawford County your options are pretty well limited to harassing the military or thinking up ways to make

it more expensive for them to operate. Now if you can get a judge of like persuasion to restrict the use of the Hanson land to Michigan troops only, you've made the military spend \$60 million or so to construct new barracks, messhalls, and storage facilities out near Lovells somewhere.

But if I were communist, I probably wouldn't restrict my activity to this one project. I probably would've tried to stop military aircraft from flying over the Pigeon River State Forest, on the pretext that it's somehow harmful to the wildlife, and I'd have either marched in protest against having bombers at Wurtsmith AFB,

or convinced a lot of other people to do so. I would also try to stop construction of any nuclear power plants, and marched in protests against factories making war weapons for the U.S. military. I would've been very vocal in protesting our Viet Nam involvement, and any other act by the United States designed to slow down the spread of communism (such as support for the Contras or the Afghan Freedom Fighters).

It would be very interesting to me to know the background and political persuasion of these people in AMAC and Anglers of the AuSable.

Gerald L. Worden
Grayling

Elementary Counseling Needed, And Is A Smart Investment

As we prepare for the school millage vote on February 15, a number of important things come to mind.

Proposition I, which asks for continuation of current programs, plus an effective increase of \$2.70 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation isn't really the issue. Yes, it is important to see Proposition I pass and the schools maintain status quo. They are doing a good job.

However, in my mind, the real issue is the importance of Proposition II. Stated simply, the heart of Proposition II is that it would provide a counselor at the elementary school level. With over 700 students enrolled in our elementary schools, they presently do not have one counselor. The amount of adjustment these youngsters have to make is often overwhelming. Not only are they making psychological, physical, emotional and social adjustments to school life, but many are dealing with child abuse, substance abuse, drugs, sexual abuse and a number of other problems.

Where do these children turn if they need help? How do you get the attention you need in a classroom of thirty students and a busy teacher? In many cases, innocent kids are becoming victims and they think they are leading a regular life. It is difficult to succeed in today's society, let alone being overloaded with too many problems as a child. The stress and anxiety that children experience in an average school life is challenging enough. Yet children with serious situations might well have to carry unresolved problems around the rest of their lives because there was never proper identification and treatment in elementary school when things could have been corrected.

Many of our so-called "problem children" in classrooms might well make necessary adjustments if elementary schools had counselors. How can children be expected to learn when many lead some extremely difficult lives and have no means of dealing with their problems?

The state juvenile detention facilities, overcrowded county jails and state prison systems should serve as a reminder to all of us, that

counseling might well be a far less expensive alternative. County jails cost taxpayers \$35.00 per day, per inmate, state juvenile facilities often cost taxpayers over \$100.00 per day per juvenile and state prisons cost approximately \$75.00 per day per prisoner. As a taxpayer, I would like to invest my money in Proposition II.

Children can be identified in elementary school with problems that counseling can help resolve. We need to deal with children's problems while they are still children. Won't you join me in support of Proposition II. We need counseling at our elementary schools now, more than ever.

Robert Smock, Jr.
Grayling

Re-Establishing Vocal Music Will Be Beneficial To Many

Dear Editor,
On February 15th, the voters of Crawford County will be asked to approve two millage proposals. Proposal I is a request to renew operational money for our schools. This proposal is essential. Without operational money our schools cannot continue to educate our children. Proposal II is a request for additional funds to improve the services available to our children. Part of this money is designated for the re-establishing of a vocal music program for the students in the Grayling Middle School, and the Grayling High School.

I was disappointed when I learned that vocal music is currently being offered to elementary school students only. My daughter, Bethany, is a member of the Elementary School Choir. She loves to sing, and enjoyed singing this past Christmas at the lighting of the community Christmas tree. The choir also sang for the patients at our local nursing homes, and many other locations too numerous to list here. These experiences were not only enjoyable for the citizens of our community, but were beneficial to the children as well.

On each occasion, Bethany came home brimming over with details about her singing visit. Her excitement brought back pleasant memories of my high school Glee Club experiences. I can remember vividly coming home following one of our competition trips. We, the Grayling High School Glee Club, would travel all day Saturday to and from one of our district schools where all area Glee Clubs/Choirs would meet and compete. How proud we were to return to GHS with a first or second place trophy/ribbon. I will

always remember the pride that radiated from the smile of our director, Mrs. Peg Milnes.

I am going to vote to approve both proposals. Won't you do the same? Vocal music is one of the few extra-

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Dear Sir:
Re: The expansion of the Heavy Artillery Range Complex at Grayling.

One of the greatest "Think Tanks" in the world is the quiet tranquility of the woods in Northern Michigan.

I have had a quiet retreat in Crawford County for over 40 years, where a lot of the ideas for big progress in the Michigan Bean Co. were born.

The quiet times in the woods have left with the day and night bombing and artillery practice coming from Camp Grayling.

I am aware of the need for a strong National Guard, but I am opposed to the construction of the proposed Multi-Purpose Heavy Range Complex at Grayling.

Grayling is important to Michigan as a vacation spot; let's not kill this golden egg too, with bombs and artillery.

Yours truly,
Albert L. Riedel
1207 Second National Bank Bldg.
Saginaw, Michigan

Our Way of Life Is Based on Education

Dear Editor,
We encourage everyone to vote Yes in the millage election next Monday, February 15. Education is the basis of all our freedoms; indeed, our way of life is wholly dependent upon education. Every profession, every craft, every endeavor must have educated people to continue and thrive.

It does very little good to have freedom of the press if the community cannot read or understand written words. It does no good to have freedom of speech if people cannot make themselves understood or effectively argue for or against a

cause. Employers want those who can understand the world competitive structure. Government and business alike must have employees who can make intelligent decisions. Young people growing into the work force today need to know how to learn, have the capability to develop new skills as well as retain knowledge.

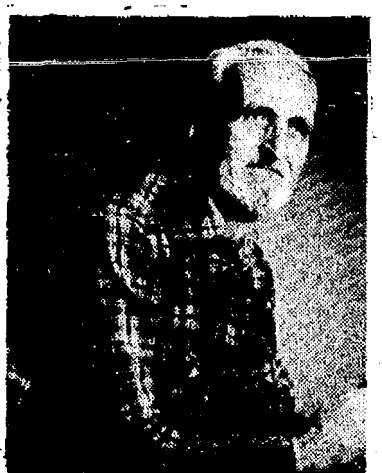
Our legacy must be to pass on a strong country and a productive life for our children through education. Again, we urge you to support both propositions in next week's school election.

Bill and Susan Boehner

Ponderings

Keep the School Bells Ringing

By Don Geiss



For those of us over 60, it is all too easy to wrap ourselves in the blanket of age and vote in opposition to school millage.

One way or another we have always supported the schools whether it be a bond issue or an operational millage because good schools in a community can help everyone. That may sound like an irresponsible statement but let us cite some ideas behind it.

All of us want the services that a well rounded town can provide such as good stores and appliance repairs. For the most part it takes younger folk to run those stores and repairs and they have children. Frankly if we do not help support the schools the young adults cannot do it alone and the services will be reduced. If there are doubts about that idea, we suggest looking at some of the communities where millages consistently have failed and ask why they have stagnated.

Everyone in a community wants to see 100 percent employment. We must strongly point out, however, that when officials from a prospective industry look at a town where they may locate they ask many questions. Of course they ask all about the plant locations and utilities. But a critical series of questions is also asked about schools, services, churches and hospitals.

Check with the officials of those companies who have recently located in the county. It was public knowledge after Weyerhaeuser decided to locate here that

those questions were asked and answered satisfactorily. We covered many meetings before and after they made their decisions as other companies looked at Grayling and Crawford County. Their officials never fail to ask those critical questions.

At the present time a school system south of us has had a number of millages fail. Many parents are sending their children to another school system and paying a premium price to do so. How many industries will be looking at that community for a spot to "stick" their upcoming executives many of whom have children?

Doubtless there is a concern by many citizens and particularly those on fixed incomes because of the increased taxes. Hopefully all seniors are aware of the Homestead Property Tax Credit (Circuit Breaker) and low income people are aware of their tax breaks. If not they should check with a local income tax specialist or call the toll free taxpayer hotline 1-800-292-4424.

The 2.7 mill total increase may not sound quite so large when the facts of each person's case is examined.

Oh yes! In case someone is saying that it is easy for him to support the schools because he is gainfully employed, let us point out that few of us get rich in the reporting business.

We support the schools because we love the area and think a good school system helps to keep this a fine community in which to live.

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Letters to the Editor

Let's Maintain What We Have At Our Schools

We in the Crawford AuSable School District have some of the best maintained schools in the state. That is not just my bias opinion but the opinion of several groups who have inspected our facilities for accreditation or awards.

These groups include the Michigan Exemplary High School Review, University of Michigan Accreditation review, and the Michigan State School Bond review. This has been achieved with pride, hard work, and the commitment of our staff and administrators. As a member of the Board of Education I am committed to providing our children with the

best maintained facilities possible. As a member of the Board Finance Committee I can tell you it is a fact the district is faced with dramatic enrollment increases that will increase costs well above our current income from local taxes and state/federal programs.

This budget shortfall would stop the tremendous progress made so far in our maintenance program. Proposition I would allow the district to continue educational programs and maintenance services at their current excellent levels. We all have a lot at stake in the way our schools and buses look and operate: safety,

sound learning environment, community pride and community growth. Let's maintain what we've got. Vote YES for Proposition I.

There are many projects such as re-surfacing the parking lots, playground equipment, auditorium/stage upgrades, sprinkler systems as well as additional custodial staffing needs that will not be addressed even with the passage of Proposition I. To take on these important projects and increase the custodial staff at the Grayling Elementary and Middle School Vote YES for Proposition II.

Steve Langseth
Crawford AuSable School District Trustee

Grayling Schools Use To Have 'Extras' Even During Depression

Dear Voters of Crawford-AuSable Schools:

How lucky I was! My parents believed in education. They told me it was important. Because of this I realized even as a 16-year-old that I needed an education to become self-sufficient in case of family hardship.

Not once throughout my life was I ever told that it was too expensive, even during the Depression. They supported the school and teachers in every way and I was expect-

ed to go. If I had had a problem it would have been my responsibility to get myself out of it.

But how could I have a problem when it was a marvelous place to be? We had a gym teacher, an art teacher some years, and best of all, music teachers who had bands, orchestras, boys' and girls' glee clubs, quartets, and sextettes. We performed at many functions including the CCC camps. They fed us a huge meal and then ex-

pected us to sing!

Back to the basics everyone says! I graduated from Grayling and came back to teach and I can assure you that we never left the basics. What we are lacking are many of the extras that I was fortunate enough to have, yes, even during the Depression! They should not be considered extras because they are also part of education for good citizens of the future. Please vote "YES" so that we do not regress any further.

Fay Bovee

A Look At Our Past

23 Years Ago
February 11, 1965

A few girls joined Laurie Hubbell after school Monday to help celebrate her 9th birthday. They enjoyed supper with the Hubbells and then had the fun of dressing up in grown lady finery complete with flowered hats and high heeled shoes. Basil and Brian had the honor of escorting the young "old ladies" up town to top off the day with an ice cream treat.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Welsh were her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. James DuBois and sons of Vassar, who enjoyed a weekend of skiing, and on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gunsell and two sons of Caro, for a day of winter sports.

Don Jansen was in Bay City to attend the launching of the USS Voge, at which is former commanding officer Admiral Eli Reich of the Sea Lion was the keynote speaker.

David Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Johnston, was the guest of honor at a bowling party February 2nd in celebration of his 8th birthday. Refreshments were served following the bowling and then the eight classmates were taken home. All bowled well. Birthday cupcakes were served in David's classroom earlier the same day.

David Jansen was confirmed January 24th at the St. John Lutheran church. His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Horn of Saginaw were here for the occasion, and other guests at the dinner afterwards were Pastor and Mrs. Harris Jespersen and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nolan. Bad weather prevented other out-of-town friends and relatives from attending.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Huber are pleased over the arrival of Scott Allen, a son weighing 6 pounds, 14 ounces, born February 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Souders have had around twenty evening grosbeaks at their feeding station for about a month, apparently the only flock around town.

46 Years Ago
February 12, 1942

An eight pound boy, Russell James, was born Tuesday, February 3rd, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Funsch of Eldorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Trudeau and daughter Guinivere, who are residing in Bay City for the present, spent the weekend at their home here.

Mrs. Maude Hayes of Alma was a guest over the weekend of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hayes.

Jack Redhead, Jr., Lee Haines and Morris Whitlock of Tri-State College, Angola, Indiana, spent the weekend here.

Eight boys and girls enjoyed being guests at a birthday party for Viola Lazarowicz at the home of her parents last week Thursday. They played games and had contests and a generally good time. Of course there was ice cream and cake. They left Viola some nice gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cox of Iron River visited at the Emil Kraus home Sunday.

Mrs. J.L. Martin

spent the weekend in Anderson, Indiana, with her son Edward, who is employed there.

Miss Virginia Charron of Flint and sister Kathryn of C.M.C.E., Mt. Pleasant, spent the weekend here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Charron.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woodbury of Bay City and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Woodbury and son Carl of Flint were in Grayling for the snow carnival Sunday, guests of Mrs. Clara McLeod. Last week Mrs. Lillie White enjoyed a visit from the latter's daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gilbert of Detroit, who were accompanied by William Seeburger.

Misses Emma Louise Pochelon and Estelle Shafferley of Detroit are guests at Shoppenagons Inn this week, here enjoying skiing on the trails at the Winter Sports Park.

69 Years Ago
February 13, 1919

Mrs. Alex LaGrow and little daughter Yvonne visited friends in Frederic over Sunday.

Miss Ollie Hermann of the Lewis Drug store, and brother Alfred, spent Sunday in Bay City the guest of friends.

Paul Feldhauser and Harold Skingley have received honorable discharges and have returned to their homes from Camp Custer.

Miss Bessie Brown entertained Miss Lucille Fletcher of the Military reservation over Sunday.

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Mercy Hospital Receives High Marks By Patients

(Editor's Note: This is the third and final article dealing with Mercy Hospital. Questions from citizens were posed to hospital Past President Robert Maher and Vice President for Patient Care Services Noreen Davis. The article by Don Geiss is composed from those answers.)

MERCY HOSPITAL PATIENT QUESTIONS

One of the things that is important to look

at is what is perceived as patient care by the patient and the hospital staff.

That point was made during the interview with Mercy Hospital officials by Noreen Davis, vice president for patient care services. "What we as medical people might identify as patient care might not be the same as what the patient is looking at," she said. A questionnaire is given to each patient and one of the questions asked of them is to define good care.

Davis said that to the hospital staff it might mean the right medication at the right time and the desired affect is there, that the I.V. is where it needs to be and that the right surgery was done on the right patient. "To the patient it might be was my linen changed every morning and every night, or did I get a back rub every two hours," she commented.

There is an attempt through the questionnaire to understand through the patient's point of view what is patient care? They then try to decide what is realistic and what is not, Davis noted. It is not realistic in today's world to have every patient get a back rub four or six times a day, she said. Four or five years ago that was probably the standard because the hospital's costs were fully recovered, she explained. Now the hospital officials have to look at what does a patient really need and that might not have been communicated very well to the general public, she said.

Maier said, "There are some objective measures which to me would say we are in good shape." There are two major kinds of inspection that takes place, he commented. "The Joint Commission is one and we are in good standing with them and they are particularly careful about nursing quality and medical staff quality," he said. They review charts and records making sure that the documentation is proper and make sure that the proper courses of action were taken. The state also comes in and does their inspections and goes through some similar things except that they are a little more facilities oriented, he noted. In both of those areas Mercy Hospital gets good grades, he said.

The patient questionnaires that are returned score the hospital as excellent with about 95 plus percent in the good to excellent category, Maier said. Filling out the questionnaire is of course voluntary, he explained so there is only about a 20 percent return. There are really very few complaints and so there appears to be little reason for believing that quality is deterioration in any objective sense, he commented.

"One of the things that I would appreciate is if there are individuals that aren't satisfied with the level of care I'd really like the opportunity to talk with them," Davis said. "It might be there is a problem that we are not aware of such as staff performance or staffing. Those are the sorts of things we would at least like to know what the concerns were so that we can attempt to deal with them," she said.

HOSPITAL COSTS

Hospital costs as compared with others was a question asked by citizens and Maier said that the charge structure has not been increased in over three years. The reason that it has not been increased is because the hospital wanted to be competitive, he noted. "The reason is because at that time three years ago we did a pretty extensive study

and found that we were high," he said. The hospital is in a much better competitive position now and it is the objective to become even more so in terms of the rates, he explained.

Maier said that rates are checked at other hospitals especially at budget time. He said that it has been on the high side here, but part of it is that the physical plant is new relative to other hospitals and so there are higher costs of depreciation and interest expense associated with the physical facilities. He said, "That tends to level out over time at this plant ages."

WORKING OUT NEW SYSTEM

A final concern of the former patients that was addressed in the interview was that of billing. Maier said that there have been problems there. "We made the transition to a new computer system and it was not just a consolidation of the Grayling and Cadillac billings," he said. Lansing was also included in the new system.

Working the bugs out of that system since August has taken several months but the billing program is in much better shape now, Maier said. He said that there has been a problem with the message that goes out with the bills and that is being resolved. When all of the "bugs" have been worked out it will be as good or better than what was once done, he noted.

Davis observed that there is an 800 telephone number listed on the bills and persons who have questions should call that number. She said that with the new computer, the person who answers the call should have more information available about the bills.

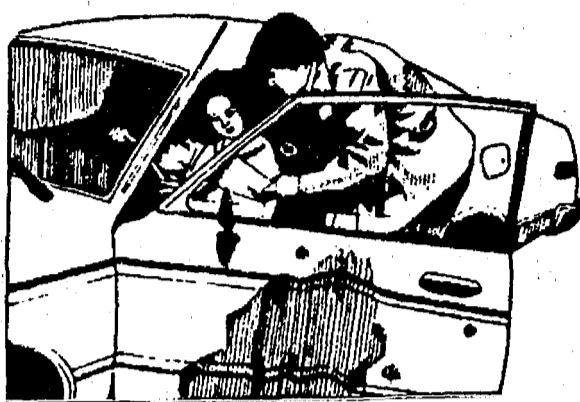
On all of the questions asked, Maier and Davis were very open about the answers. There was no doubt that some of the answers would not satisfy all or most of the concerned citizens. There is, however, an attitude from hospital officials that lends itself to free inquiry of information and an assurance that there will be an answer.

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Species available are: Cedar, Douglas Fir, Red, White, and Austrian Pine, Blue, White, Norway and Black Hills Spruce, Sugar Maple, Birch and Hybrid Poplar. Also available are numerous flowering and fruit shrubs.

The District also provides at a minimal cost, a planting crew or can refer you to local planters. For further information regarding the seedling and planting program, contact the Crawford-Roscommon Soil and Water Conservation District Office at 409 Lake Street, P.O. Box 156, Roscommon or call 275-5231. Supplies are limited and orders are filled on a first come-first serve basis so get your orders in early.

ATTENTION VOTERS

The citizens Millage Task Force recommend the school ask for 3.75 mill increase with a 1.25 reduction in debt retirement.

And then what do they do but ask for a 3.95 increase with a 1.25 reduction in debt retirement.

Why do they ask for input when they don't listen?

**VOTE NO
FEBRUARY 15**

**THEY HAVE TO LISTEN TO
THE PEOPLE AT THE
VOTING POLLS.**

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Member of the Millage Task Force

Thompson Retires After 20 Years With Agriculture Dept.

Jeanne Thompson retired on January 29, 1988, after 20 years with the Soil Conservation Service. A dinner was held in honor of Jeanne and her husband Sandy Thompson, at the Holiday Inn on January 29th.

Homer R. Hilner, State Conservationist, presented Jeanne with a certificate and pin from the United States Department of Agriculture in recognition of the completion of twenty years of service as a Federal Employee, signed by Richard E. Lyng, Secretary of Agriculture.

Gifts were presented from her fellow workers, friends and relatives from Saginaw, Buchanan, Roscommon, Grayling, Lansing, Gaylord,

Bay City, Bad Axe, Mt. Pleasant, and Battle Creek.

In attendance besides her co-workers and friends were her husband, Sandy Thompson, sons Randy and Lynn Thompson and grandchildren Angie and Max, of Grayling. Patrick and Beverly Thompson and grandchildren Bridget and Casey of Saginaw. Her mother Mrs. Carl Hanson of Grayling and brothers, Col. and Mrs. Skip Hanson of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Hanson of Battle Creek and Dr. and Mrs. Alfred D. Hanson of Buchanan.

Adams Accepted Into International Photo Association

Jim Adams, of Grayling, has been accepted for membership in Professional Photographers of America, Inc. (PP of A), the world's oldest and largest association for professional photographers.

Representing photographers, retouchers and color artists, photographic manufacturers, and others allied to the field, the 108-year-old organization provides educational activities and establishes standards of professional excellence for its more than 15,000 members and over 200 international affiliates.

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P.J. enjoyed the Polar Bear Plunge so much he jumped in twice.



Let me out of here!



The Winter Streak — running to the lodge to get warm.



Pete Kocenas also took a double dip.



"You go in." "No, you go first." "Do you think it's cold?" "No, the ice is fake and everyone is wearing winter coats just to pull a joke on us."



Levi Burkett rides a pony at the park Saturday.



Tom Miller displays the big medallion that a couple of hundred people looked for.



"Let me get out first!" "No I want out." "There isn't room for both of us to climb out." "Was this your idea?"

Downhill Furniture Race

1st - Jayson Welser, Tim Hickey
2nd - Mark Rutter, Tony Aquillon
3rd - Roy Poston, Dale Williams

Snow Volleyball

1st - Traverse City All-World
2nd - R & H Sports

Downhill Canoe Race

1st - Tim Isenhauer, Jack Harney
2nd - Jayson Welser, Tim Hickey
3rd - Roy Poston, Dale Williams
4th - Don Pollice, Leonard VanDer-Poole.

Downhill Intertube Race

ages 9-12

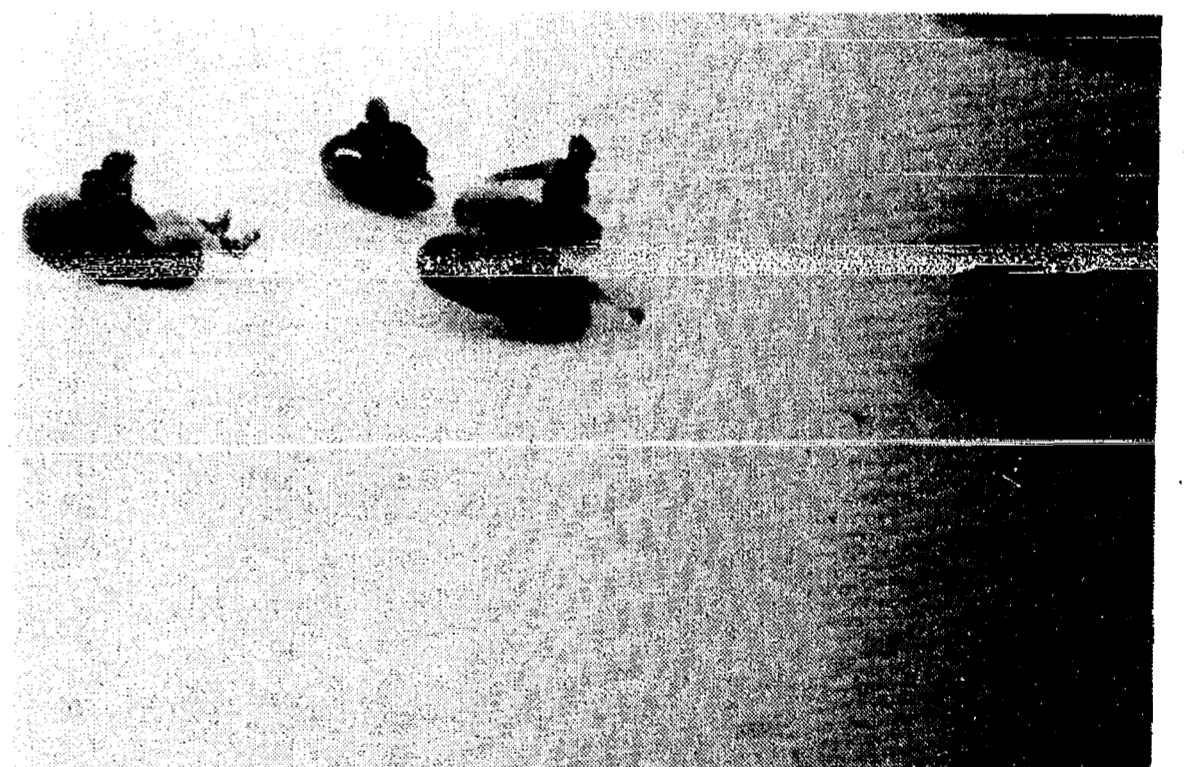
Heather Millikin

ages 5-8

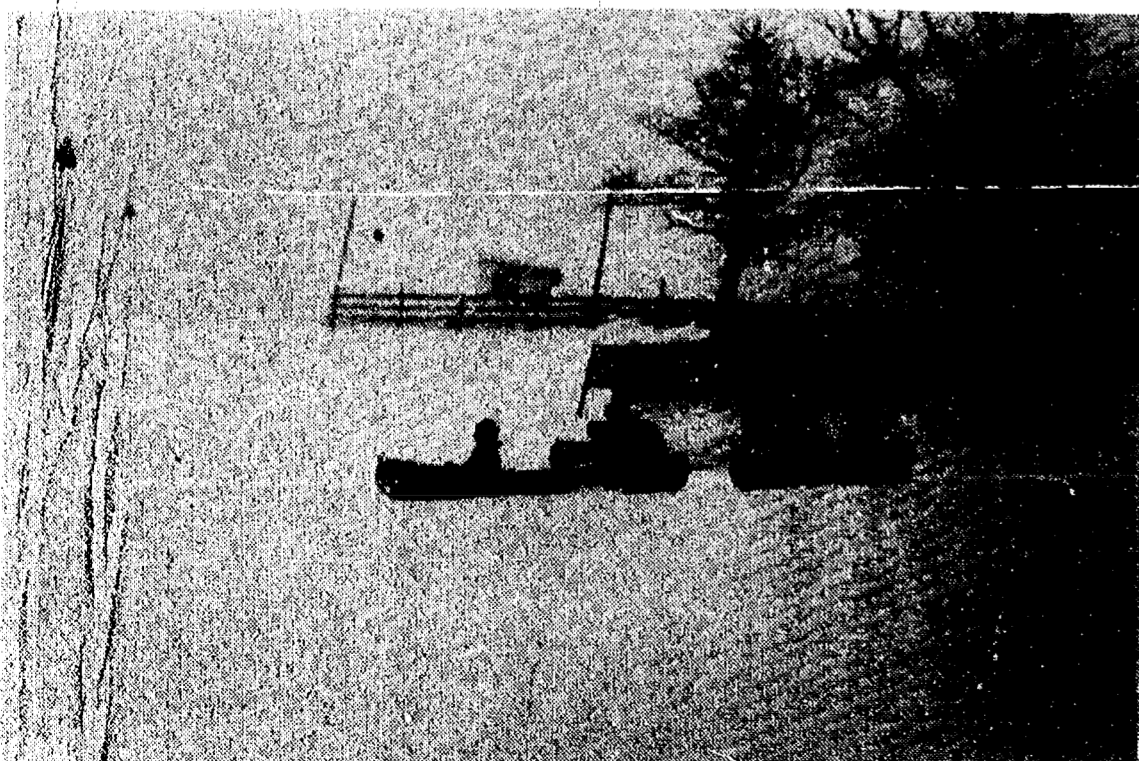
Jeremiah Kohnert

Brian McCurdy

Nathan Beckwith



The intertube races featured some wipe-outs.



Icy slope conditions made this year's downhill canoe races fast moving.



Jayson Welser and Tim Hickey (R) won the downhill furniture races.



Playing on slippery snow and ice made Snow Volleyball an exciting sport with some fancy falls:

Wrestlers Win Conference Title and 26 Medals!

The Grayling High School wrestling team won the 1988 Michigan Huron Shores Conference title in style Saturday setting a record for the most points scored in the league tournament.

All 13 GHS wrestlers won individual medals and they also won 13 team medals — to bring home a league record 26 medals. It was the first time in the league tournament all 13 wrestlers from one team earned a medal by finishing in the top four places.

Grayling's record 215 points for outdistanced second place Petoskey at 130 points. Petoskey, the host for the tour-

namment, was expected to challenge Grayling for the league title.

"There was a good crowd and the intensity was quite high all day between Petoskey and Grayling wrestlers," said Viking coach Don Ferguson. "We had a great team effort."

Saturday was the first day Grayling's been able to fill all 13 weight classes for a tournament.

Taking 1st place for Grayling were Mark Lowe, 126 pounds, Bucky Monforton, 132, and Ward Jones 155.

Lowe, 37-3 with 25 pins, won 19-3 and 13-3 picking up 20½ team points. Monforton, 23-3 with 12 pins, won 18-3, 9-1, and

12-0, to pick up 21½ points. Jones, 37-3 with 31 pins, won three matches all by pins to pick up 24 points to lead the team.

Taking 2nd were Andy Moore, 98, Terry Sorenson, 112, Tim Colling, 145, and Brian Kernstock, 198.

Moore, 29-11, won by two pins before losing in the finals. Sorenson, 19-13, won by two pins before losing in the finals. Colling, 29-5 with 15 pins, won twice before losing in the finals. Kernstock, 29-4 with 24 pins, won by two pins before losing 5-4 in the finals.

Taking 3rd place were Kevin Bickford, heavyweight, Doug Doty, 105, Frank Wildfong, 119, Tim Cook, 138, and Jeff

Wolcott, 185.

Bickford is 11-11, Doty 20-14, Wildfong 12-3, Cook 21-7, and Wolcott 26-13. John Gay, 167 pounds, took 4th place and has a 28-9 record.

The Vikings had 137½ points after two of the four rounds. Finishing behind Petoskey were Rogers City 125, Cheboygan 101, Gaylord 98½, Charlevoix 89, St. Ignace 49, Onaway 39, Sault Ste. Marie 21.

The Vikings face five other teams in a class B pre-district tournament Wednesday, Feb. 10, at the Grayling Middle School.

Sports

Vikings Lose Twice; Still in 2nd Place

A 75-61 loss to Cheboygan last Friday dropped Grayling to 5-4 in the league tied for second one game out of first.

Petoskey, tied for first at 7-3 with Charlevoix, played GHS here Tuesday, Feb. 9.

Viking coach Tom Mills said Grayling played well in the first quarter at Cheboygan and led 19-17. At the half Grayling trailed 36-31 and stayed 5 points behind at the end of the third quarter.

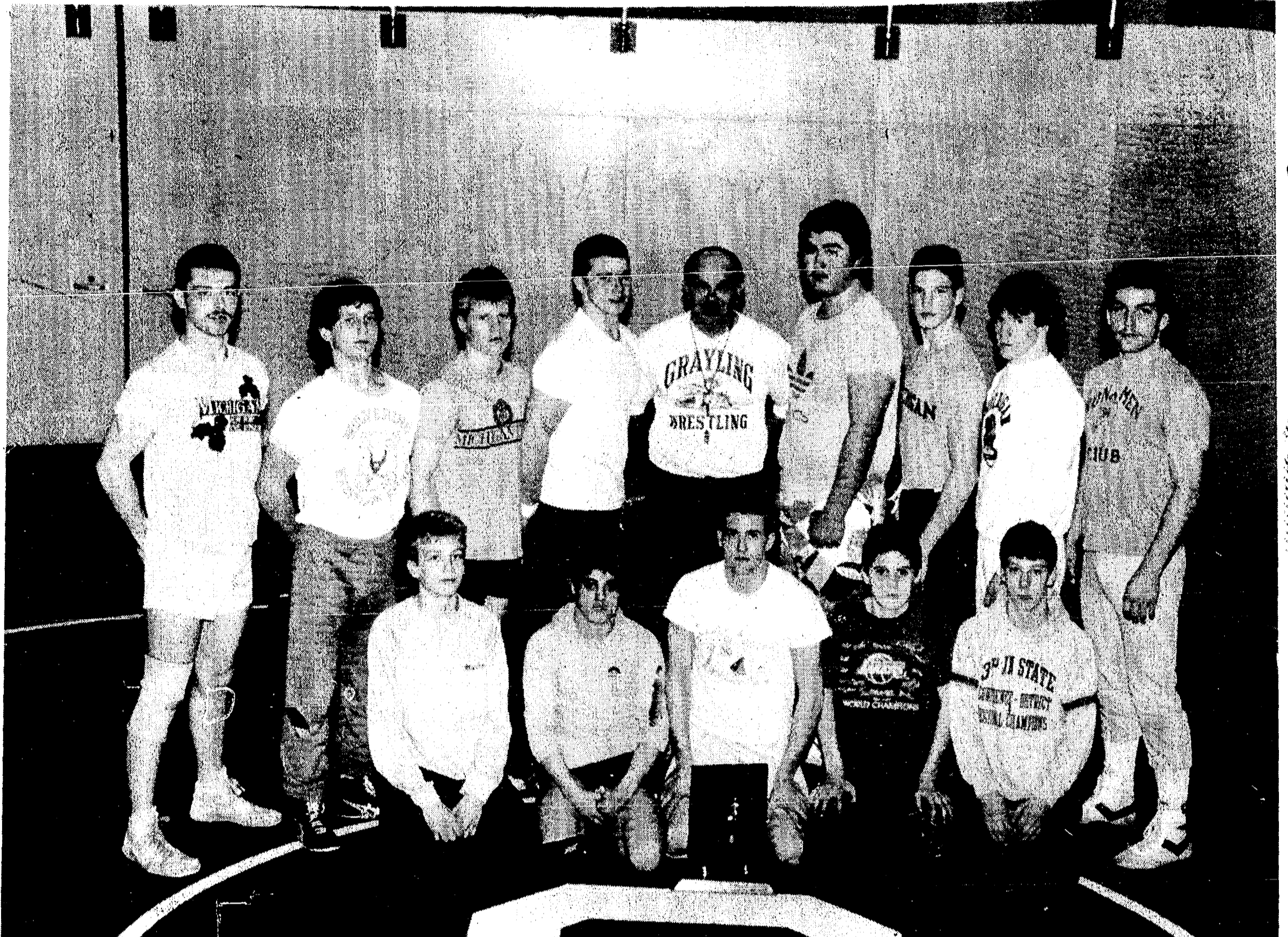
Jeff Palmer led the team with 30 points. Bud Ostrow-

ski and Todd McLane had 8 each, John Kinnee 5, Rob Ellsworth 4, Chris Skidmore 4, and Todd Hull 2.

Last Tuesday, Roscommon overcame Grayling 66-58. A bright note for the Vikings was 76 percent free throw shooting, 10 of 13, one of the highest marks this year in a problem area.

Palmer scored 16, Ostrowski 13, Kinnee 12, Skidmore 7, McLane 6, Hull 2, Ellsworth 2.

Kinnee had 14 rebounds, Hull 13, and McLane 11.



MHSC CHAMPS — Winning the league in style were (front L-R) Doug Doty, Frank Wildfong, Mark Lowe, Andy Moore, Terry Sorenson, (back)

John Gay, Bucky Monforton, Tim Colling, Brian Kernstock, Coach Ferguson, Kevin Bickford, Tim Colling, Ward Jones, Jeff Wolcott.

GHS Skiers Warm Up For MHSC Conference Meet

The Grayling Vikings hosted a five team meet on Thursday, February 4th, at Schuss Mountain as a prelude to the conference meet scheduled for this Wed-

nesday at Boyne mountain.

The boys team placed third behind Petoskey, Charlevoix while beating Boyne City and East Jordan. Jayson Welser led all Viking skiers with 5th place finishes in both slalom and giant slalom, followed by Tim Hickey who was 11th in slalom and 8th in giant slalom. John Jurkovich was 12th in slalom, Pete Opperman was 13th in slalom while Tony DiPonio and Mike Burkley both fell and were disqualified in that event. In giant slalom Derrick Christman was 12th, Mike McNamara 19th, Flaskie Robins 21st and Tony DiPonio 28th.

The girls team finished in 4th place behind Petoskey, Charlevoix and Boyne City while defeating East Jordan. Leading the Grayling girls was Lori Gust who was 7th in slalom and 10th in giant slalom followed by Julie Huss who fell in her first run

of slalom and could manage to place only 21st in that event while skiing to a 4th place finish later on in the giant slalom event. Anne Petrosky was 15th in slalom and 17th in giant slalom. Aimee Rochette was 22nd in slalom and 20th in giant slalom, Caroline Shin was disqualified in slalom but placed 24th in giant slalom while Jennifer Lochner finished 28th in slalom only to be disqualified in giant slalom.

The weather, though cold, and courses were near perfect for racing with good hard pack condition meaning that mental errors as much as anything else were to blame for the high rate of disqualifications suffered by the Grayling racers.

Coach Wieland named Jayson Welser and Lori Gust as racers of the week after each of them turned in good, strong performances in both disciplines.

GHS Tops Charlevoix, Remains 1 Game Out

Grayling came back strong to handle Charlevoix 13-15 15-10 15-3 and stay in the Michigan Huron Shores Conference race.

GHS, 5-1, plays St. Ignace, 5-1, this Wednesday, Feb. 10. They both trail Rogers City, 6-0. Petoskey is also 5-1.

Jenny Money hit 20 of 20 serves in to lead Grayling. Sue Casler added 15 serves and led the team with 11 for 11 in spiking.

Carrie Trudgeon led with

33 sets. Sheryl Klinger had 19 sets. Deanna Phelps led the team with 4 blocks and added 10 good serves.

Trudgeon led the team with 8 soft attacks. Cheryl Barber had 9 sets, Lisa Kimball had 8 serves, and Heather Derenzy had 5 spikes.

The team was 96% on their passing for the game.

The Grayling J.V. team beat Charlevoix 15-5 15-11 16-14. They also went 7-3 in a

tournament Saturday beating Marion, Elk Rapids, and Roscommon twice. They split with Forest Area Schools and lost to Pine River.

Lisa Barber served all 15 points in a 15-0 win over Roscommon. Nikki Trenary led the team in spiking. Trenary, Heather Pelton, and Margarita Perez led the team in defense.

Grayling Jr. Pro Basketball

3rd and 4th grade	
R & H Sports Pistons	9-0
Leonards Electric Bullets	8-1
Cornell Pacers	7-2
Grayling Rotary Blades	7-2
Weyerhaeuser Jr. Vikes	6-3
Camp Grayling Gunners	5-4
Scheer Motors Tigers	4-5
Laurines Wolverines	3-6
Maxi Muffler Jets	3-6
Grayling Bank Bucks	1-8
Pizza Hut Blazers	1-8
Perez CPA 76'ers	0-9

Bullets 37 - Jr. Vikes 31
Blades 33 - Blazers 22
Wolverines 19 - Jets 18 (OT)
Tigers 35 - Bucks 22
Pacers 45 - 76'ers 36
Pistons 45 - Gunners 29

5th and 6th grade	
McDonald's Celtics	6-1
Chemical Bank Bees	6-1
Grayling Bulldogs	4-3
Sorensons Bandits	4-3
Rochette's Raiders	3-4
Al Bennett Mustangs	2-5
Mac's Drugs Mauraders	1-6
Holiday Inn Hornets	0-7

Grayling BB League Results

Camp Lehman set a new league record for points in a 141-98 win over Glen's. Six players hit double figures for Lehman including 36 by Johnson and 34 by Thomas.

In the second game, Spikes won its 4th game in a row beating Patti's/Milan 109-89.

Lehman — Johnson 36, Thomas 34, Jones 26, Miller 16, Ridgeway 15, Sipe 14, Glen's — Clark 24, Narlock 23, Noss 18, B. Feldhauser 12, Duncan 10, McEvers 9, Johnson 2.

Spikes — Bush 27, Fox 18, Burkett 17, Feldhauser 16, Tobin 12, Walker 8, Coors 5, Papendick 4, Kucharek 2. Patti's/Milan — Trenary 31, Juntilla 21, Krey 11, Fagan 10, Grant 8, Chief 8.

C-21/Shoppenagons 6-1
Camp Lehman 6-2
Spikes 4-4
Patti's/Milan 4-4
Holiday Inn 2-5
Glen's 1-7
Leading scorers: Upton 29.5, Johnson 27.1, Rush 22, Hinkle 22, Juntilla 21.5, Thomas 19.3, Krey 18.6, Narlock 17.8, Trenary 16.2, Walker 14.6.

Bowling

NATIONAL 1st DIVISION

1. Legion Lounge	12
2. Northland Appliance	11
3. Red Barn	10
4. Eagles #3465	8
5. Budweiser	8
6. Bear's Country Inn	6
7. Carlisle Paddles	6
8. Arrowhead	3
High Game: G. Wolfe 232, D. Rasmussen 213, D. Henning 198	
High Series: G. Wolfe 546, R. Case 540, B. McClanahan 530	

RECREATION LEAGUE

1. Holiday Inn No. 2	13
2. Oxbow Club	12
3. Bear's Country Inn	12
4. Grayling State Bank	12
5. Cruisers	10
6. Mickey Perez C.P.A.	10
7. Northern Vending	10
8. Scheer Motors	8
9. Arrowhead Inn	8
10. Fabiano Bros.	6
11. Terry's Sport Center	6
12. Holiday Inn No. 1	6
13. Glen's Market	5
14. Pittman's Rentals	5
15. Newberry's Mini-Mart	5
High Game: D. Zelik 194, K. Vandecar 192, L. Dellar 186	
High Series: D. Zelik 516, K. Vandecar 483, M. Ockerman 471	

PIONEER LEAGUE

1. Avalanche	17
2. Terry's 76	16
3. Dawsons	16
4. Millikins	13
5. Al Bennett	13

AMERICAN 1st DIV.

1. Pitt Stop	7
2. Helsel's Firewood	6
3. Cornell Realty	5
4. Farm B.	4
5. Cragg Machine	4
6. Team No. 8	4
7. DDC	1
8. R-R Repair	1
High Game: J. Helsel 253, R. Case 223, B. Cragg 206	
High Series: J. Helsel 585, R. Case 553, B. Cragg 509	

THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE

1. Col Schreiber Builders	19
2. A.J.D. Forest Products	16½
3. Air Way Automation	12½
4. Bear's Country Inn	11½
5. C.S.I.	11
6. Mosher Sales & Service	10
7. Terry's 76	8
8. Weyerhaeuser	7½
High Game: T. Shepherd 545, K. Davis 520, B. McClanahan 513	
High Series: T. Shepherd 220, J.C. Mathey 178, M. Davis 175	

TRIANGLE LEAGUE

1. Milltown Feed & Lawn	144
2. Down River Pines	142½
3. Parsons Advertising	135
4. Straits Corp.	132½
5. Jack the Tinner	107½
6. Glen's Mkt.	107½
High Game: D. Metzler 212, R. Shelley 211, R. Dent 191	
High Series: D. Metzler 546, W. Fedewa 529, C. Porter 524	

FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED DOUBLES

1. Col Schreiber Builders	19
2. A.J.D. Forest Products	16½
3. Air Way Automation	12½
4. Bear's Country Inn	11½
5. C.S.I.	11
6. Mosher Sales & Service	10
7. Terry's 76	8
8. Weyerhaeuser	7½
High Game: T. Shepherd 545, K. Davis 520, B. McClanahan 513	
High Series: T. Shepherd 220, J.C. Mathey 178, M. Davis 175	

SUNDAY AFTERNOON FUN

1. Murricks	16
2. Dee's Ice	11
3. Spikes	11
4. Sawmill	11
5. Grayling Restaurant	10
6. Legion	10
7. Dinner Bell	10
8. Plaza	4
High Series: C. Porter 529, P. Hetrick 521, D. Henning 483	
High Game: D. Henning & P. Hetrick 211, C. Porter 192, R. Parkhurst 184	

NORTHWOOD LEAGUE

1. Grayling Floor Covering	14
2. Helsel's Firewood	13
3. Bubbles Belles	11½
4. Ruthie's Girls	10
5. Goodale's Bakery	10
6. Laurine's	8
7. Persons Adv.	7
8. K.K. Masonry	6½
High Game: J. Hatfield 190, J. Davis 189, S. Hoffman 187	
High Series: J. Hinds 530, S. Hoffman, S. Stadnicka 517, C. Bellanger 493	

AMERICAN 2nd DIV.

1. Glen's	14
2. Northland	13
3. Ship's	11
4. Grayling Auto	10
5. Wilse Carpet	9
6. Legion	8½
7. McLeans Hdw	8
8. Patti's Place	6½
High Series: D. Mansfield 587, K. Potter 553, S. VanDeCasteele 532	
High Game: S. VanDeCasteele 213, K. Potter 208, A. Thayer 208	

SUNDAY NITE MIXED DOUBLES

1. Crawford County Collision	18
2. Rochette's	16½
3. Carlisle Paddles	16
4. Gary's Drywall	15
5. Down River Ace	13
6. Best	13
7. K.M.P.K.	10½
8. Helsel's Forest Products	10
High Game: K. Korhonen 212, N. Longworth 203, M. Keir 201	
High Series: M. Keir 572, K. Kor-	

1987-88 Junior Pro Basketball Teams



GRAYLING HOSPITAL FOR ANIMALS BULLDOGS — Front L-R, C. DiPonio, A. Mertes, V. Ames, G. Mesack, M. Fleming, back, coach DiPonio, C. Morrow, P. Hartman, T. Patrick, R. Flowers, coach Hartman.



CHEMICAL BANK NORTH BEES — Front L-R, S. Shippy, D. Regan, P. Nolan, D. Galvani, back, B. Duncley, M. Love, N. Stancil, Coach Nolan, Absent N. Rosi, D. Wildfong.



MCDONALD'S CELTICS — Front, L-R, T. Dobry, B. Walsh, C. Wolcott, C. Waite, T. Hinds, back, coach Mlcek, B. Harrison, M. Mlcek, N. Parker.



ROCHETTE'S IGA RAIDERS — Front, L-R, B. Dale, L. Rochette, T. Warner, T. Eldridge, A. Furst, back, M. Amman, S. Wireman, coach Denno, J. Denno, S. Lavrack.



SORENSEN FUNERAL BANDITS — Front L-R, R. Hough, J. Fassinger, J. Mier, M. Riedner, M. Johnson, back, A. Riedner, M. Thompson, coach Johnson, C. Kucharek, coach Johnson, N. Wilcox.



AL BENNETT MUSTANGS — Front L-R, L. Mead, S. Hinkle, M. Harris, M. Generich, L. Kraus, back, C. Gusler, coach McEvers, J. Hall, B. Wilson, coach Mead, C. Jones.



MAC'S DRUGS MAURADERS — Front L-R, J. Vicars, J. Andrus, L. Riechie, J. Lademan, back, R. Wakeley, S. Sabin, coach T. Mead, D. Gugin, W. Suddeth, D. Ray.



HOLIDAY INN HORNETS — Front L-R, D. Weaver, J. Cox, M. Sampsel, J. Secord, V. Gibbons, back, coach C. Quarterman, M. Modica, coach M. Petrie, J. Weaver, M. Burden.



R & H SPORTS/PISTONS — Front L-R, C. Hartley, T. Weaver, S. Hartman, K. Langseth, N. Weaver, back, E. Tobin, D. Sabin, D. Ray, I. Tobin, coach Raymond, coach Tobin.



LEONARD'S ELECTRIC/BULLETS — Front L-R, K. Ames, C. Randall, M. Ritter, C. Kucharek, S. Ritter, back, M. Perez, N. Zajner, M. Bobenmoyer, coach Rousseau.



GRAYLING ROTARY BLADES — Front L-R, D. Gugin, B. Larm, D. Sturdivant, B. Deman, S. Meoak, C. Wilcox, back, J. Wallace, P. Reichelderfer, G. Elsner, E. Elsner, A. Henion, coach D. Wallace, coach D. Henion.



CORNELL INSURANCE/REALTY PACERS — Front L-R, J. Sanchez, M. Moshier, S. Madsen, E. Patrick, back, coach Madsen, A.J. Stancil, B. Pilon, coach Thompson. Absent R. Schlehuber, J. Thompson.



WEYERHAEUSER JR. VIKES — Front L-R, C. Broeker, R. Doe, J. Lawrence, R. Robins, A. Floriano, back, M. Harwood, J. Wright, N. Bedard, coach D. Broeker.



CAMP GRAYLING GUNNERS — Front, L-R, K. harris, J. Beckwith, D. Harris, J. Hall, N. Schreiner, back, N. Beckwith, J. Roy, D. Beckwith, D. Bonamie, coaches Bindschattel, J. Beckwith, R. Hall.



MAXI MUFFLER JETS — Front L-R, P. Lamie, J. Richardson, C. Northrop, B. Sims, back, J. Hale, J. Hoffman, T. Lobsinger, K. Annis, coach Mead, coach Annis.



SCHEER MOTORS TIGERS — Front, L-R, J. Beck, S. Amman, B. Davis, H. Anger, back, T. Hoggard, S. Casey, M. Ashton, J. Jurkovich, coach G. Casey.



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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Arnold and Evelyn Lehto, of Warren, are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Lehto, of Lansing, to Thomas Whaley, son of Earl and Loretta Whaley of Grayling. A June 11 wedding is being planned.

Bits of Talk . . . by Fay Bovee

Exciting things are happening downtown. The Mercantile Mall will soon be the site of two new dress shops, one owned by Karen Kammer and one by Kathy Ashton. Karen and Kathy spent a week both in Chicago and Detroit on a clothing buying trip.

Advanced Business Machines has moved into the vacated Peachtree store, more familiarly known to some Graylingites as Dad Hanson's. Since Annie B's have moved out of the former Olson Shoe Store, Bucilla's Pizza is busy getting that ready to open.

Across Michigan Avenue, Jinx Parkinson and his brother, Kim Parkinson, have purchased the former Sorenson building and are busy remodeling. Murdock's Fudge is moving into the part that once housed Herluf Sorenson's and Jinx and Kim

are putting in a sporting goods store in the part that was Hoerl's and before that, Sorenson Furniture (for the old-timers!)

Kim and Shelley Parkinson have moved back to Grayling from California. They purchased a home near Pollack Bridge and will make their home here.

The Jansen family attended the Shrine Circus in Saginaw a couple of weeks ago. Don and Elsie Jansen and their children, Dave and Elaine Jansen and family and Curt and Sue Jansen and family met Don's sister and children and grandchildren there.

We enjoyed a short chat at the Shoppenagons with Clare Melroy and wife, Marge, of Essexville. They spend a lot of weekends in Grayling.

Main Street Florals will be open Sunday, February 14, 11-3 p.m. Flowers say it best!

Tom and Marian Welsh and LeRoy and Marie Akers were in Bridgeport on January 31, 1988, to attend the first communion of their granddaughter, Erin Elizabeth Welsh. She is the 7-year-old daughter of Tom and Lynn Welsh.

We welcome to Grayling, Sandy McAnallen and her daughter, Julia, of Lansing. Sandy is the manager of WGRY and is a recent graduate of Michigan State University. Julia is a third-grader at Grayling Elementary School.

Art and Monica Weideman visited their family, Art and Cindy Wakeley and girls, in Midland, weekend before last.

Two Kiwanians, Tim Coe and Tom Trudgeon took four boys to the Pistons game two weeks ago. The boys who accompanied them were Chad Morrow, Mike Harris, Chad Ventline and Michael Fleming. It was a special day for the Kiwanis and their guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller (Joan Thompson) of Bad Axe were in Grayling for a week visiting her brothers Sandy, Ross and Jim and attended the Retirement Party of her sister-in-law Jeanne Thompson.

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Merrigan-Dillenbeck Exchange Vows

Emmy Merrigan and Rob Dillenbeck were married November 7th at Delta Haven Free Methodist Church. The bride is the daughter of Joyce and Frederick Crandall of Holt. The bridegroom is the son of David and Sherry Hanson of Lansing, formerly of Grayling, and Robert and Gina Dillenbeck of Bay City.

The maid of honor was Teresa Phillips and the bridesmaid was Lonnie Crandall, the bride's step-sister. Best man was Roland Rumsey while the groomsmen were Richard Merrigan, the bride's brother, and John Crandall, step-brother.

The bride wore a white floor length dotted swiss dress trimmed in lace and satin. The attendants wore pink satin gowns while the men wore gray tuxedos with pink ties and cummerbunds. The couple resides in Lansing.

13th Annual Shrove Tuesday Feast Set

Long ago, in Merry Olde England, it was the tradition to refrain from any rich or sweet food during the season of Lent. In order to remove all such items from the household, a great feast was prepared on Shrove Tuesday. The feast consisted of numerous cakes, made with all the richest spices and ingredients which could be found.

Keeping with this Lenten tradition, we at St. Francis wish to invite everyone to help us celebrate Shrove Tuesday with a feast. Our church is located on M-72 West. Blueberry, potato or plain pancakes (all you can eat), as well as smoked sausage, applesauce, and sour cream will be offered.

This year's feast will mark our 13th annual Shrove Celebration. It will be held on Tuesday, February 16th. Dinner will be served from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. Donations

for the meal are \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children under 12, and children under 6 can eat free. 10% of all proceeds will be donated to Riverhouse Shelter, an agency which houses battered wives and their children.

For your enjoyment, the Kitchen Band from the Senior Citizen's Center will be performing. Tickets are available from any member of St. Francis Church, or are available at the door.

Women's Health Topic at Zonta

The Zonta Club of Roscommon County area met Tuesday, February 2 at Fred's Dining in Roscommon and the speaker for the evening was Pat Hanson, Women's Health program coordinator from Mercy Hospital. Members were given a Client Survey Form on Women's Health Services. Mercy Hospital will soon be implementing a comprehensive program of service for women of our area.

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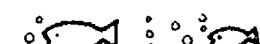
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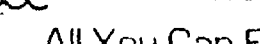
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4	0 to 8450	8451 to 9450	9451 to 12800	12801 to 13850	13851 to 14900
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The Stars Come Out in Aspen for Local Man

By Nancy Lemmen

For years, Grayling residents and visitors to our town have admired the floral arrangements designed at Flowers by Josie. So it should come as no surprise that co-owner and designer Bob Cole was chosen to work with the staff of Aspen Branch Floral Art during the Christmas season to decorate the homes of vacationers there.

What may be surprising is some of the names on his client list: John Denver, Glenn Frye, Don Johnson, Quincy Jones, Arnold Schwarzenegger and Maria Shriver, Neil Simon and Andy Williams, to name a few.

Aspen, it seems, has become THE North American ski resort for celebrity types. Some of them owners, others renters, they want their homes decorated for the Christmas season and for the parties they throw.

1st JOB WAS FOR BARBARA WALTERS

Cole's first job was decorating the home of Mrs. Merv Altman, better known to most of us as newswoman Barbara Walters. After he and a co-worker finished what he called, "a spectacular job," Walters phoned the shop with the command that the designers return to her home. Fearing that their work had not met with her approval, they reluctantly returned, whereupon Walters invited them to a shrimp creole dinner — "The hottest I've ever eaten!" — with Goldie Hawn, Don Johnson, Kurt Russell and Beverly Sills among the guests.

Did he melt in the presence of such luminaries? No, while Walters' conversational style did border on the intimidating, Goldie Hawn was intelligent and funny and put everyone at ease.

THE FAMOUS WANT TO REMAIN INCOGNITO

Evidently the famous wish to remain incognito in Aspen, so the staff learned to avoid overreacting to them. However, Cole developed a code used to communicate the presence of a star to his colleagues in the shop: He'd sing, "So Long, Farewell" from "The Sound of Music."

Among the notables who walked in to place orders was Jane Fonda, without make-up and very private. "The only way you could recognize her was by her eyes." He didn't even realize the identity of the famous shopper until he ran her credit card through the machine.

The shop was created five years ago to work with celebrities. Because the owner

needed extra assistance during the Christmas season, she chose Bob Cole and three other top American florists from last summer's seminar in Aspen — a degree program with the American Floral Design Institute — to work from December 1 to January 5.

And just what type of decorations do the stars choose? Annie Denver, former wife of singer John, requested a tree with something for everyone in the family. The top branches were decorated in a country motif, the middle with foil-wrapped candies for the children, and the lower section with bones for the dogs.

Barbara Walters liked the country look, too, so Cole used lots of grapevines, and decorations that were "natural looking and very much like what you would see in the nice homes in Grayling."

JILL ST. JOHN LIKED VICTORIAN LOOK

Jill St. John preferred a Victorian look. "She loved French parrot tulips which she would send to people."

Barbra Streisand chose "Tinsel Town, USA," with lots of gold, silver, opalescence, as her theme. "It was gaudy, actually." Her tree had musical toys and her wreath was an eyespotter. She liked the latter so much that she asked Cole to make her an identical one for her home in California. Not surprisingly, he adds, "she was one of my favorites."

Her post-Christmas party on December 29 also provided Cole with perhaps one of his favorite memories of his adventure. Aspen was in the middle of a total white-out with everything, even the mountain, closed due to zero visibility. Nevertheless, they sent a delivery person in a four-wheeler to the top of Independence Pass, where he met the flower delivery truck from Denver, and returned to Streisand's home at 4:00 p.m. Streisand demanded to know if he and his colleague would have 14 arrangements prepared for the 350-guest party at 6:00? "Barbra," Cole asked, looking her straight in the eye, "do you doubt it for a minute?" They were finished in one hour.

ASKING FOR STREISAND'S AUTOGRAPH BROKE THE RULES

After meeting the great Streisand, Cole decided to "break every rule in the book and get her autograph." So he returned to her home with a stem of Rubrum lilies and requested her signature. "I don't have time for that," she answered. "Why don't you come back tomorrow?"

When he returned, he was invited in for tea

and talk of her movies, after which she told him she admired his chutzpah and presented "Robert from Michigan" with a signed poster from her latest movie, "Nuts," with the message, "For Robert, Happy Days, Barbra Streisand."

I went bananas," Cole admits. "I went to the movie theatre and saw that the 'Nuts' advertising poster was gone. I asked the manager about it, and he said that someone has it. I wanted to tell him that it was me!"

Cole also returned home with cookbooks signed by actress and writer Jill St. John, whom he describes as a delightful lady. Her cookbook was done totally in Aspen at the Victorian Hotel Jerome. She even made sushi for him, "seaweed and fishy stuff rolled into a log and served with sauce."

By his own admission, Cole "had to learn flowers all over again." Because of the dry climate the florists would, for example, use carnations, which last only one day, solely upon request. The clients' desires ranged from high-style to exotics to simplicity.

ASPEN IS LIKE DREAMLAND

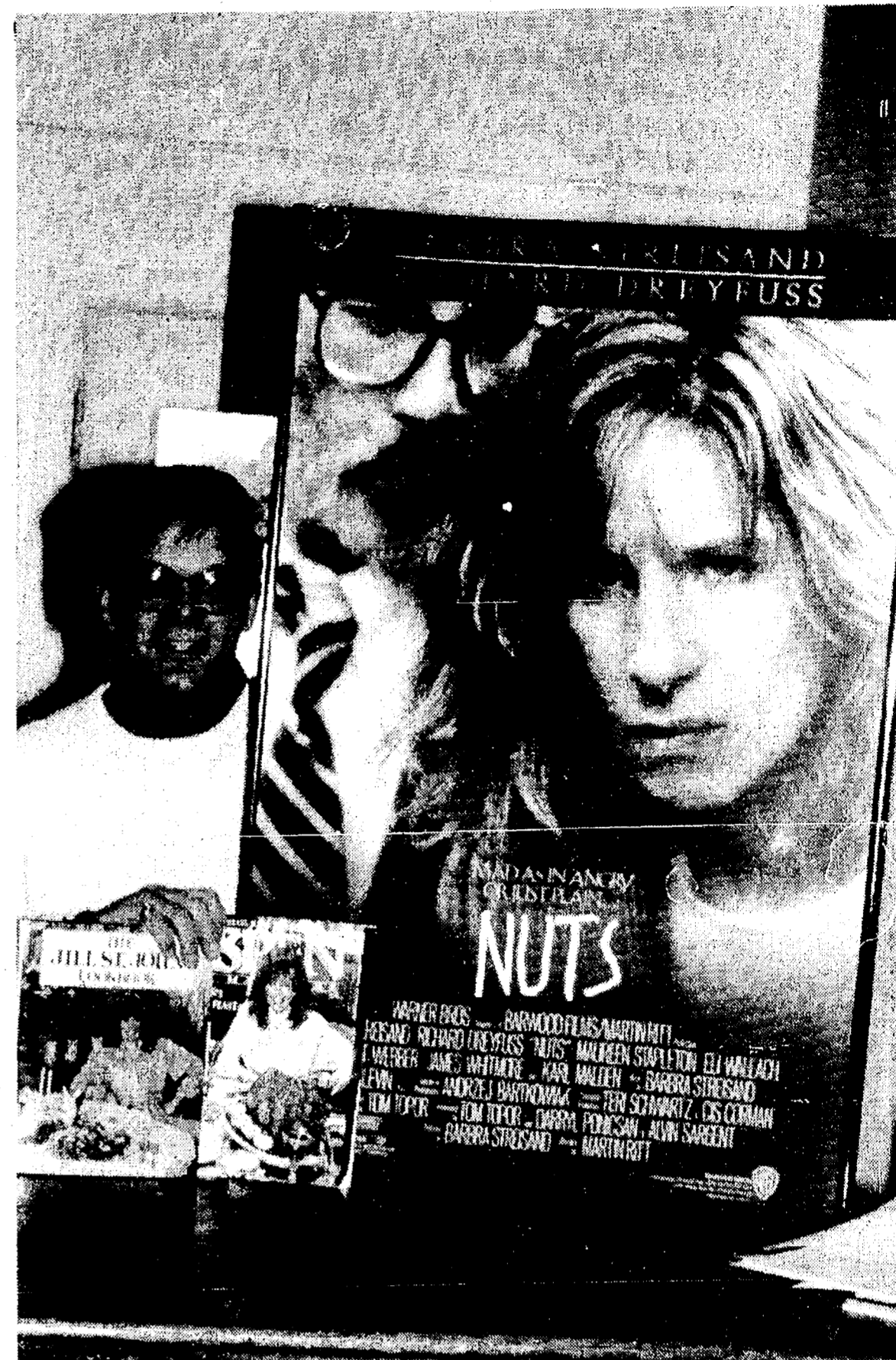
The town of Aspen "is like a dreamland," says Cole. It began snowing on the night of his arrival — a light powder snow that melted or blew away — and continued through early January. But during the holidays the prices rise to nightmarish figures: Gordon's Restaurant, as an example, charges \$125-\$150 per person for dinner. Its owner, whose motto is "High Altitude Cuisine, Inc." says he raises prices so that the stars feel comfortable there. "Anyone who eats there can afford it and nobody will heckle them."

Meanwhile, back in northern Michigan, how did Flowers by Josie and Grey Goose Gifts fare without him during their own Christmas rush? Well, designer Raya Johnston took the same European design course that Cole took in Aspen and he and co-owner Ernie Dawson hired two more people. "It worked," Cole answers simply.

He adds, "We will be doing many more things here with silk and fresh flowers. People will notice that Flowers by Josie has a certain flair, something a little different."

Will he return for Christmas 1988? Possibly. Barbra Streisand asked him for his business card and the shop invited him back, but he has made no commitment. However, at least for this one Christmas, he lived a dream.

"People would not believe what happened to me. It was a matter of being in the right place at the right time."



TO ROBERT FROM BARBRA — Bob Cole shows a "Nuts" poster taken from an Aspen theatre by Barbra Streisand and given to the Grayling Floral designer. Also shown are cookbooks given to him by Jill St. John.

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Kenya Kerekes Featured At Daniels Den

This Saturday, February 13th Daniel's Den will be presenting Kenya Kerekes. She not only sings, but writes a lot of her own music as well. A lot has been happening in her life already this year. She has just come back from a recording session in Nashville, Tennessee, where an album of songs she has written were put to music, and she sang them. She will be singing some of these songs Saturday night, and we are hoping the cassettes of this album will be here for you to purchase. Kenya had the privilege of singing on the Gospel segment of the Grand Ole Opry when she was in Nashville.

Daniel's Den is located on M-72 West 1 mile out of Grayling, in the Fellowship Hall of the Episcopal church. The music starts at 8:00 p.m. All ages are welcome, and a free will offering will be taken.

Thank You

The family of Orlie Straley would like to thank the wonderful people of Maple Forest for all their help and the beautiful dinner. Would like to thank the Frederic Ambulance for their wonderful service and caring. Thanks go to the Sheriff's department and Camp Shawono, and all the kindness from the lovely people of Mercy Hospital and the special care of Dr. Burkley.

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8th Grade Honor Roll
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SADD Chapter Prepares Student/Parent Contracts

On Thursday, February 4, the local SADD Chapter executive board met and discussed its plans for the next whole chapter meeting.

The meeting will involve handing out the membership cards, brochures, T-shirts and any additional information that should be passed on to the new members.

Also passed out during the meeting will be the Parent/Student Contract for Life. This contract is an agreement to be signed by both student and parent in regards to not driving while drinking.

SADD is trying to make the point that we are not condoning under age drinking. We are trying to turn

teenagers against drinking and partying because what they are doing is illegal.

Also discussed in the Feb. 4 meeting was setting up an all-school assembly sometime in April. Pepsi Cola in conjunction with Burger King have put together a 40-

minute film and program to educate students about the substance abuse problem.

Grayling SADD said the community showed a lot of support through the holiday season in participating in tying a red-ribbon to their car.

Grayling Elementary Kindergarten Round-up Scheduled for March 2-4

Registration for the 1988-89 Kindergarten Class will be held on March 2, 3, and 4th. Children who will be 5 years of age on or before December 1, 1988, are eligible to enroll for kindergarten.

Registration will be by appointment only from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (March 1, 2, 3). Please call the school (348-7641, ext. 46) to schedule your appointment. We will begin scheduling of appointments on February 10th. If you are not able to attend registration during the "Round-up" days it is important that you contact the school immediately to discuss other arrangements for enrollment of your child.

State requirements must be met after a child can be permitted to attend school. All children entering school must be up to date with immunizations, have vision and hearing testing, a physical exam, and produce a certificate of birth. Clinics for vision and hearing screening and physical exams will be held later in the month. Appointments for both clinics will be scheduled by the Health Department for all children who have registered for school. Immunization clinics are held monthly at the Health Department.

Please bring your child's immunization records and a birth certificate for registration. If you do not have these documents but intend to enter your child in school in September, please call the school at once.

7th Grade Honor Roll
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Also Melody Frischkorn, James Green, Rebecca Harrison,

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
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File No. 88-4515-DH
**PUBLICATION AND
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In the matter of LESTER TRENARY, Deceased, Social Security Number 384-07-5738.
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Grayling Travelogue To Show 'Discover Denmark' Film

On Thursday evening, February 18, the Grayling Community Education Program will present their next exciting full-length travel feature at the Grayling High School Auditorium. Featured on that evening will be acclaimed photographer Ed Lark showing his nationally recognized film, Discover Denmark. Doors will open at 6:45 p.m. and the film will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door.

If you're looking for fun loving people and a good time, Denmark can't be beat. Whether you are vacationing on a broad sandy beach or sampling Denmark's excellent cuisine, you will learn that the Danes do everything with gusto and finesse. The friendliest of the Nordic countries, the people of Denmark extend to visitors a generous portion of Scandinavian hospitality. Ed Lark, a native of Cal-

ifornia, has been making travelogues since he was 18 years old. His brilliant photography has earned him the reputation as a perfectionist with a camera, and his smooth and personable approach has made him popular with groups of all ages. If you have never attended a travelogue before, this would be an excellent one to treat yourself to for the first time.

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Middle School Notes

The Read-in
The Read-in is a special activity we do. We go to it every Friday. What we do is we go to a different classroom and we read a book. We are allowed to bring any book we want to read. We eat a snack. We had to bring a dollar for snack money. By Chandra DeMoines and Nicole Pelton, Mrs. Fleming's 5th grade.

The fifth grade had a giant cookie drawing on Wednesday, January 13. We sold tickets for 10 cents each. The winners were Becky Bouse, Troy Millikin, and Doug Wickman.

We had the drawing to raise money for our trip to Lansing on May 11. We are going to the Capitol and visiting the Impression 5 Museum.

We are having another

cookie drawing this week on Wednesday at the Middle School. It is an M'n M giant cookie that one of the teachers will make. By Analisa Gildner and Nici Wilcox, Mrs. Fleming's fifth grade.

Pastor Lochner was at the Grayling Middle School on January 12, 1988. He was in the Navy before he came to Grayling. He talked about the ships and bombs. He showed some slides of cargo carriers and tankers. He gave everyone a Navy bumper sticker. He talked about the crew and the captain of the ship he was on. He told about the sea patrol, power projectiles, and import and export of cargo. By Cory Gusler and Charlie Kucharek, Mrs. Fleming's fifth grade.

We will be switching for math classes during the

second semester. We are getting ready for sixth grade when we will be having seven different teachers. We could have three or four different teachers now. We like switching classes because it will be fun being in different rooms. It will help us not be nervous when we get to sixth grade. By Lowell Bind-schatel and Davy Ray, Mrs. Fleming's fifth grade.

LOVELLS

By Ruth Caldwell

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Erb spent Tuesday in Mt. Pleasant with their son, Kenny.

Kimberly Erb spent a few days visiting her aunt, Mrs. Teresa Kelly and her daughter, Stella in Posin.

The card party was hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Miller. Prizes were won by, Alice Campau, Sophie Koernke, Ellie Wikoff, Jack Kearney, Bill Koernke, and Marvin Wikoff. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kearney will host the party this Sat.

Commission on Aging

The COA board meeting, regularly scheduled for

Thursday, Feb. 11th, has been changed to the following Thursday, Feb. 18th. The public is welcome to attend these meetings and to express their opinions.

February 23, 5:30 p.m.- Jim Shepler will be at the center to talk about your jewelry and give estimates at no charge to you.

Homestead Property Tax Credits and Home Heating Credits are just a few of the things that we can help you with on your taxes. We have the forms and the staff to help you with your tax returns. Stop in or call for an appointment (348-7123 or 348-8031).

Menu and activities for Feb. 15-19:

Monday - 10:00-Exercises, 3:00-Songbirds, 5:00-Dinner (Smorgasbord Buffet).

Tuesday, 1:00-Crafts, 1:00-Bowling, 1:00-RSVP Cards, 3:00-Kitchen Band, 4:30-Salad Bar, 5:00-Dinner (Salisbury Steak), 5:30-Movie-National Geographic Special.

Wednesday, 9:00-Walk-in-basis-blood pressure and blood sugar clinic, 10:00-Quilting, 1:00-Stag Party, 1:00-Swimmecize, 5:00-Dinner (Chili Con Carne).

Thursday, 2:00-History class, 4:30-Salad bar, 5:00-Dinner (Veal Birds), 5:30-COA board meeting (post-poned from the 11th)

Friday, 12:00-Dinner (Stuffed Green Peppers), Lovells Satellite.

Opal Slagle

Opal V. Slagle, age 91, of Grayling, died Thursday, February 4, 1988, at Mercy Manor. She was a homemaker and previously lived in Saginaw and Gaylord, and has resided in Grayling for the past two years.

Born October 17, 1896, in Nirvana, Michigan, she was preceded in death by her husband, Adam in 1948, also 2 sons, Albert and Forest, and two daughters, Lila Butts and Louise Merithew. She is survived by four sons, Gerald, and Dale Slagle, of Saginaw, Donald Slagle of Interlochen, Florida, and Darrell Slagle of Hemlock. Five daughters, Vivian McCall, of Canton, Donna Cox of Frederic, Etta Bailey, Berginia Love, and Joyce Stephens, all of Grayling. Also 38 grandchildren, 66 great-grandchildren, and 29 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 6, 1988, at 1:00 p.m. at the Sorenson Funeral Home. The Reverend Jeffery Regan officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Gaylord.

Crawford County Tentative Ratios & Factors for 1988

BEAVER CREEK - TENTATIVE RATIOS & FACTORS 1988					
CLASS	ASSESSED	CO. EQUALIZED VALUE	RATIO	FACTORS	
101 Agricultural	48,400	48,400	49.79	1.0000	
201 Commercial	501,000	501,000	49.03	1.0000	
301 Industrial	676,614	676,614	50.00	1.0000	
401 Residential	12,818,100	12,818,100	49.95	1.0000	
501 Timber Cut Over	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
601 Developmental	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
TOTAL REAL	14,044,114	14,044,114			
TOTAL PERSONAL	6,389,746	6,383,719	50.05	1.0000	
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	20,433,860	20,427,833			

CITY OF GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS & FACTORS 1988					
CLASS	ASSESSED	CO. EQUALIZED VALUE	RATIO	FACTORS	
101 Agricultural	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
201 Commercial	13,874,200	14,235,789	48.73	1.0000	
301 Industrial	774,200	774,200	49.92	1.0000	
401 Residential	8,435,700	8,435,700	49.08	1.0000	
501 Timber Cut Over	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
601 Developmental	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
TOTAL REAL	23,084,100	23,445,689			
TOTAL PERSONAL	3,208,400	3,211,956	49.94	1.0000	
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	26,292,500	26,657,645			

FREDERIC - TENTATIVE RATIOS & FACTORS 1988					
CLASS	ASSESSED	CO. EQUALIZED VALUE	RATIO	FACTORS	
101 Agricultural	274,100	274,100	49.32	1.0000	
201 Commercial	810,000	810,000	50.35	1.0000	
301 Industrial	274,800	274,800	50.00	1.0000	
401 Residential	15,345,000	15,345,000	49.73	1.0000	
501 Timber Cut Over	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
601 Developmental	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
TOTAL REAL	16,703,900	16,703,900			
TOTAL PERSONAL	10,794,800	10,794,800	50.00	1.0000	
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	27,498,700	27,498,700			

GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS & FACTORS 1988					
CLASS	ASSESSED	CO. EQUALIZED VALUE	RATIO	FACTORS	
101 Agricultural	225,500	235,400	47.90	1.0438	
201 Commercial	3,764,900	3,764,900	50.87	1.0000	
301 Industrial	860,000	860,000	49.50	1.0000	
401 Residential	59,763,000	59,763,000	49.44	1.0000	
501 Timber Cut Over	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
601 Developmental	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
TOTAL REAL	64,613,400	64,623,300			
TOTAL PERSONAL	2,519,600	2,519,600	50.00	1.0000	
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	67,133,000	67,142,900			

LOVELLS - TENTATIVE RATIOS & FACTORS 1988					
CLASS	ASSESSED	CO. EQUALIZED VALUE	RATIO	FACTORS	
101 Agricultural	1,299,800	1,333,180	48.75	1.0256	
201 Commercial	409,100	409,100	49.48	1.0000	
301 Industrial	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
401 Residential	16,171,842	16,641,122	48.59	1.0290	
501 Timber Cut Over	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
601 Developmental	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
TOTAL REAL	17,880,792	17,183,402			
TOTAL PERSONAL	1,258,477	1,258,477	49.98	1.0000	
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	19,139,269	18,441,879			

MAPLE FOREST - TENTATIVE RATIOS & FACTORS 1988					
CLASS	ASSESSED	CO. EQUALIZED VALUE	RATIO	FACTORS	
101 Agricultural	108,000	108,000	50.00	1.0000	
201 Commercial	195,600	207,247	47.19	1.0595	
301 Industrial	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
401 Residential	5,037,349	4,927,949	51.11	1.0000	
501 Timber Cut Over	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
601 Developmental	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
TOTAL REAL	5,340,949	5,243,196			
TOTAL PERSONAL	248,600	248,600	49.96	1.0000	
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	5,589,549	5,491,796			

SOUTH BRANCH - TENTATIVE RATIOS & FACTORS 1988					
CLASS	ASSESSED	CO. EQUALIZED VALUE	RATIO	FACTORS	
101 Agricultural	439,400	439,400	49.99	1.0000	
201 Commercial	109,600	109,600	49.23	1.0000	
301 Industrial	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
401 Residential	23,275,765	23,275,765	50.63	1.0000	
501 Timber Cut Over	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
601 Developmental	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
TOTAL REAL	23,824,765	23,824,765			
TOTAL PERSONAL	800,150	800,150	50.09	1.0000	
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	24,624,915	24,624,915			

Elementary Notes

I'm at table seven. I was working on a paper to spell some things, like cat and net. Those are my reading words. After I am through at table seven I will go to table three. At table three we have to find the right words and put them in the right place. After lunch I go back to table three and keep on working on the same paper. Then I'll go to table four. We have to do math. We have to write the letters and then we have to count backwards and then we have to go forward counting. We have to go sit down on the floor and talk about some things. Dictated by Jessie Beck's, Mrs. Yost's first grade.

I like the school because it is fun. I'm in Mrs. Nunn's room. We go outside for recess. We play inside too. We can play songs and sing them. We're learning about Miss "I" this week. Last

week I learned about Mr. "C." What did we do? We read about cotton candy. We made canoes and laced them. We took them home and gave it to my mom. We love Miss "I." Dictated by Justin Manier, Mrs. Nunn's kindergarten.

We learned about Antarctica. It's south of North America and South America. It has lots of snow and ice. We were reading about a jet that crashed in Antarctica. They dug it out of the snow. They fixed it and then flew it back.

I like reading. In the reading book there are lots of good stories. There are some good plays. We play them out in front of our reading class. I don't really like the workbooks. I'd rather read stories. We do watch some film strips in reading class. We do worksheets. Some of them are fine and some are not. By Jami Secord, Miss

Johnson's third grade.

We started times tables yesterday. We started with zeroes, like 10 x 0. We did it together on the chalkboard saying it out loud. Today we have worksheets, too. Today we are doing it by ourselves. We will pass our papers back to the corrector and then we'll correct them. When we're done correcting we put a triangle and the score in it. We might start another paper. Part 2 will be in our book.

We've been learning about farms. First we were learning about wheat farms and then tomato farms. We were talking about Oklahoma where there are carrot farms. Today we are studying about onion farms. By Steven Dutton and Justin Broadway, Mrs. McEvers' third grade.

I like playing with clay. We make "Z's." We make stuff like an apple. We had

these little things. One time I made an elephant out of little blocks that only two people could play with. And we have grains. They're little tiny seeds from plants. We can make cookies, pie, and cake when it is all ground up.

The letter is Miss "I." We have different letter people. Miss "I" stands for ice cream, Indian, and she itches. Dictated by Mitchell Kersey, Mrs. Spencer's kindergarten.

I like doing my homework. I take home my book from table 4. Sometimes I tear the papers out and take it home. I do math, like we do pluses and minuses. I like studying whales. Hump-backed whales sing. When it gets really cold, they go up to the warm water. They blow bubbles up out of the little thing on the back. I like having Mr. Fig in my book that I work in at table 1. He has a magic cap. One time he saved Mouse, his friend. Dictated by Mary Bobenmoyer, Mrs. Yost's first grade.

I like art because it is fun to do. We make special things for the month that it is. We made patterns in January. We cut patterns out of a piece of paper and traced them on to a big piece of paper. We colored them and then we put them on the bulletin board.

We made Indians and put them on the bulletin board.

We made tangrams. They are seven pieces of paper and you cut them out. The shapes are triangles, squares, and parallelogram. We made them into a shape and traced them onto a piece of paper. There were people, penguins, and houses.

At the beginning of the year we made witches out of contact paper and crayons. By Richard Doe, Mr. Hatfield's fourth grade.

I like coloring. This morning I was coloring "Miss O." I colored "Miss O" red. I get to take it home. I do a lot of coloring in school. I make stuff in school, like trains and snowmen. I like to play with rockers. We have three in the room. I rock on them. I can climb on the climbers. I write my name and some letters. Dictated by Angela McClain, Mrs. Spencer's kindergarten.

Mrs. Nunn is fun and today Mrs. Nunn is letting us do "opposites." And also I like

it when my mama comes to work. Her name is Kris. And she is helping the children make cookies. And there are lots of fun seasons that we have. We have them here and we do fun things for the fun seasons. There are lots of different classes in this school. Some of them are fourth grade. And there is first grade. We have gym and music and all that. I also would like to write that we have library and we get to pick out books. Sometimes we don't pick the right kind but we have to keep them. Dictated by Lisa Joyce Newman, Mrs. Nunn's kindergarten class.

In Mrs. Wakeley's class I do reading. You can read a lot of stories. There are plays and we read the school newspaper last week. There's one story about a frog. It's a poem. He sat on a log waiting for a fly to eat. There's one story where a boy brought a frog to school. I like math. In math we started times. I'm doing things on paper, like math problems. We're doing 6 x 0 and 6 x 2. By Billy Folden, Miss Johnson's third grade.

Mostly I like to do work. I like math. Well, it's mostly like clocks and things. We're just in "o'clock" right now. We usually write the numbers down in the book on a little line. We've been doing take away and pluses.

I like books from the classroom at reading time. It's stories about Mr. Fig and Rabbit, Turtle and Mouse. They go over to Mr. Fig's house and sometimes they have surprise parties. Mr. Fig lost his hat when they went for a ride. It was on Duck. He gave it back to Mr. Fig. Dictated by Lena Haskin, Mrs. Yost's first grade.

You can learn new things in science. You can learn about food and the digestive system. And we barely have to write in science. You can learn about what kinds of food that are good for you. We have a mannequin in our room and we are taking it apart to learn about parts in the digestive system. Everything comes apart. There are a whole bunch of body parts in there. And we saw a film strip that was about the digestive system and it told how the digestive system works. We don't know all of the parts but we are learning about them. By Tina Lob-singer and Adam Galvani, Mrs. McEvers' third grade.

I like to do spelling bees. I always get one or two wrong. If you're the winner and the only one up you get a poster. I like it when I always spell the words right. We have spelling bees once in a while. In the spelling books I like to do the work. Once we take a spelling test I always like to see if I get my words right.

I like English. I like to take the tests and I sometimes am the last one done because I always write slowly. What do I do in English? I like to read the stories and I like to write them.

I like math. I like the times. I'm in a math booklet and I'm almost done with it. When I finish I go on to my next booklet. By Shari Hastings, Mrs. Akers' fourth grade.

any planes for a week they would get money with the deal. But if they did try another idea they would do the job for free. The next idea was to get enough speed and control it. But they were in the way of two kids and running them in the river. So to get revenge the boys loosened the handlebars on the bike so when they tried it the handlebars wouldn't steer the bike.

The Statue of Liberty was built by a man and it took a long, long time to build it. The statue was built in New York harbor a long time ago. The only thing France has to do with it is that the man who built it lived in France. And France gave it to the United States. So they would know about all the freedom they had and about other nations.

The way I found out about

it was on a video tape that we saw one Friday and Wednesday in our classroom. By Keith Sowulowski, Miss Johnson's third grade.

In our class this year we're working on food. And we're learning about the four food groups. We're learning how our bodies are working. We're testing for sugar and starch with iodine and testape. We're testing for fats and minerals and vitamins. We have charts in our room to record the tests that we do. We have a chart that we wrote down today showing foods that we ate yesterday. We brought in labels to show whether the foods had fats and starch and vitamins. Certain kinds of sugar and fats give us energy. Minerals and vitamins help our body. By Sarah Wood and Brandon Rousseau, Mrs. McEvers' third grade.



HEALTHY DEER — So far this winter, deer are still ranging out of yards for food and they appear healthy. Only time will tell what hardships the remainder of February will bring. (Don Geiss Photo)

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Library News

Memorial books given to the Crawford County Library from Cornell Real Estate and Insurance are "Companion Guide to Mainland Greece" for Timothy Ruddy, "How To Plan and Conduct a Successful Meeting" for Janet Johnson, "Encyclopedia of Tropical Fish" for Cecil Vickery, "Alaska" for William Henderson, "How To Train Your Dog" for Stanley Owens, "Paper Dreams" for Virginia Jones, "The Dog" for Clyde Smith, "Bathroom Design" for Ada Dice and "Country Style" for Irene Regan. Also from Cornells are "The Christmas Book" for Marian Johnson, "Creating a Wild Flower Garden" for Marius Hanson, "Gray's Anatomy" for Harry Souders, "The Quilting, Patchwork and Applique Book" for Betty Reed, "The Vegetarian Touch" for Lyman Sherman and "Weight Watchers Favorite Recipes" for Mrs. Roy Roper Sr.

The staff and board members of the library donated "Sphere" for Harry Souders and Mary Jane Knibbs gave "Morrow Book of Quotations in American History" for Mr. Souders. Also from Mary Jane Knibbs are "Favorite Poems of Emily Dickinson" for Mary Lusk and "Tall Annie, a biography" for Carl W. Johnson. Several new books have been given in memory of Timothy Ruddy. Joan Dodge contributed "Michigan", Agnes Post gave "Wisconsin, America the Beautiful Series", "Karate Handbook" is from Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Welch and family,

and "Florida, America the Beautiful Series" is from Kathy Post DeLopez.

Agnes Post also gave "The Fords, an American Epic" for Marius Hanson and "Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island" for Dortha Latimer. The Grayling Country Club donated "Play Lower Handicap Golf" in memory of William Hunter and "Ben Hogan's Five Lessons" for Lawrence E. Smith. Two books from John and Thelma Nims for Clifford Bellmore are "A Place in the Woods" and "The Gift of the Deer." "Splendour of New Zealand" is for Glen Parrott from Bob and Jackie Ruddy, "Canada" is for D. Michael Worden from George and Hazel Hanson, "The Land Down Under" is for Robert Mansfield from Luke and Pauline Petrosky.

"Loving God" is for Timothy Klug from Olier and Mary Lowery, Harold (Spike) MacNeven gave "Christmas Patchwork Projects" for Laura Olson, Werner Christman gave "The Great Classics" for Esther Moore, and Jeff, Shirley, Jessica and Erin Scott donated "Bagthorpes Unlimited" for Clyde Smith. Another title added to the Milton Naghtin memorial collection is "Ludwig Van Beethoven" from friends of North Park. The library has received two books authored by Hans C. Andrews and given by Dr. Andrews and the class of 1986. They are "Merit In Education" and "Evaluating For Excellence."

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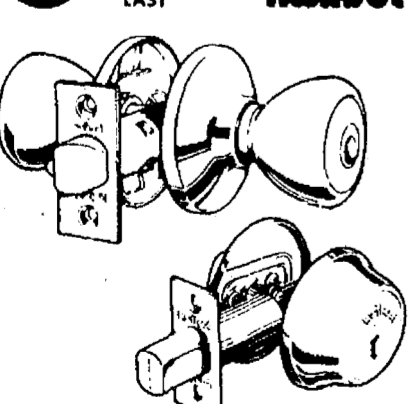
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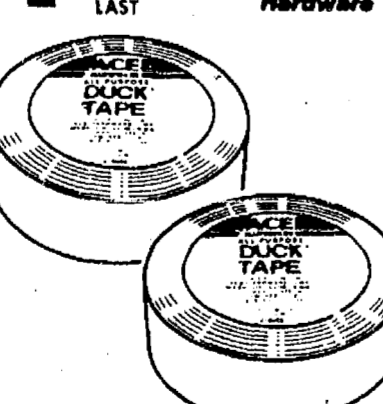
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Part 21 Lord Christ the Messiah

After breaking down all human barriers, and exposing the sin of the woman of Samaria, Christ is ready to introduce her to Himself as the Messiah. Discovering Jesus Christ to be a prophet, the woman changed the subject to their religious differences. Most people still do the same thing. When they get under conviction of sin, they start defending their religious heritage. She questioned where one should worship. (John 4:20). Jesus told her that the religion of her fathers of Samaria was a false religion. "Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews." (John 4:22).

Jesus reminded the woman that true worship of God is always in spirit and truth. "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth; for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." (John 4:23, 24). This is our third "must". Jesus said, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." (John 3:6, 7). The first "must" is being born-again of the Spirit of God. One cannot worship in spirit until one is born-again of God's spirit. The second "must" is the must of the crucifixion. Jesus said, "And as Moses

lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:14, 15). This second "must" is the truth of Jesus Christ and His crucifixion for sin.

"The woman saith unto him, I know that Messias cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things." (John 4:25). This woman worshipped under a false religion which looked for a Messiah, but did not know Him. "Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am he." (John 4:26). Jesus Christ revealed Himself to this woman as Messiah. First, she knew Him as a human being, then as a prophet, and now as God. The woman is now in a position to worship God in spirit and in truth, for she has been born of the Spirit, she knows her sins are forgiven, and she knows God personally as her Messiah.

Are you blindly following the religion of your ancestors? Are you trying to cover your sin by arguing religion? Do you know you are worshipping God in spirit and in truth? Jesus Christ wanted to save this immoral woman, and He wants to save you. (Hear "The Bible Speaks" at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday on WQON 100 FM).

Pastor "B"

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The Deacon's Speakin'

Deacon Bob Nolan

Scripture Reference: Mark 1:40-45

This reading from the Gospel can surprise us by the indication of two seemingly contrary attitudes in Jesus. Jesus is moved to compassion toward the leper and then sends him on his way after a warning is given. This reading asks us to consider the goodness of Jesus that is both sensitive and firm.

Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out His hand, touched him, and said, "I do will it. Be cured." Jesus experiences the human emotion of compassion. The infinite goodness of the God-man is not a mere goodwill. In the mystery of the Incarnation, God makes His infinite goodness pass through a real human heart, the heart of Jesus. It becomes a human emotion in the presence of suffering, that develops into compassion. Jesus suffers with the suffering leper who has come to Him.

Because Jesus loves this man, it becomes more intolerable than if it was His own body suffering. When we truly love someone else and we see them suffering, we want to suffer in their place in order to relieve them of their pain. This is often true with our children. The compassionate Christ does not cure the leper by a Divine and distant exercise of His power. He comes close to the man and kneels at his side and responds to the man's request with a gesture that even breaks the Jewish Law: He touches the leper with His hand.

This gesture, startling to the leper since one of his greatest sufferings, was that he could not be touched by a clean person. Christ's goodness is too good to see for the man since it cures the man, but it is also creative since it rehabilitates the him, restoring his human dignity.

Our Lord touched the man even before curing him. Is our goodness truly compassionate, close to the suffering of others, taking others at their level of human dignity or even restoring it? Such goodness often has in itself the power of bringing about certain cures.

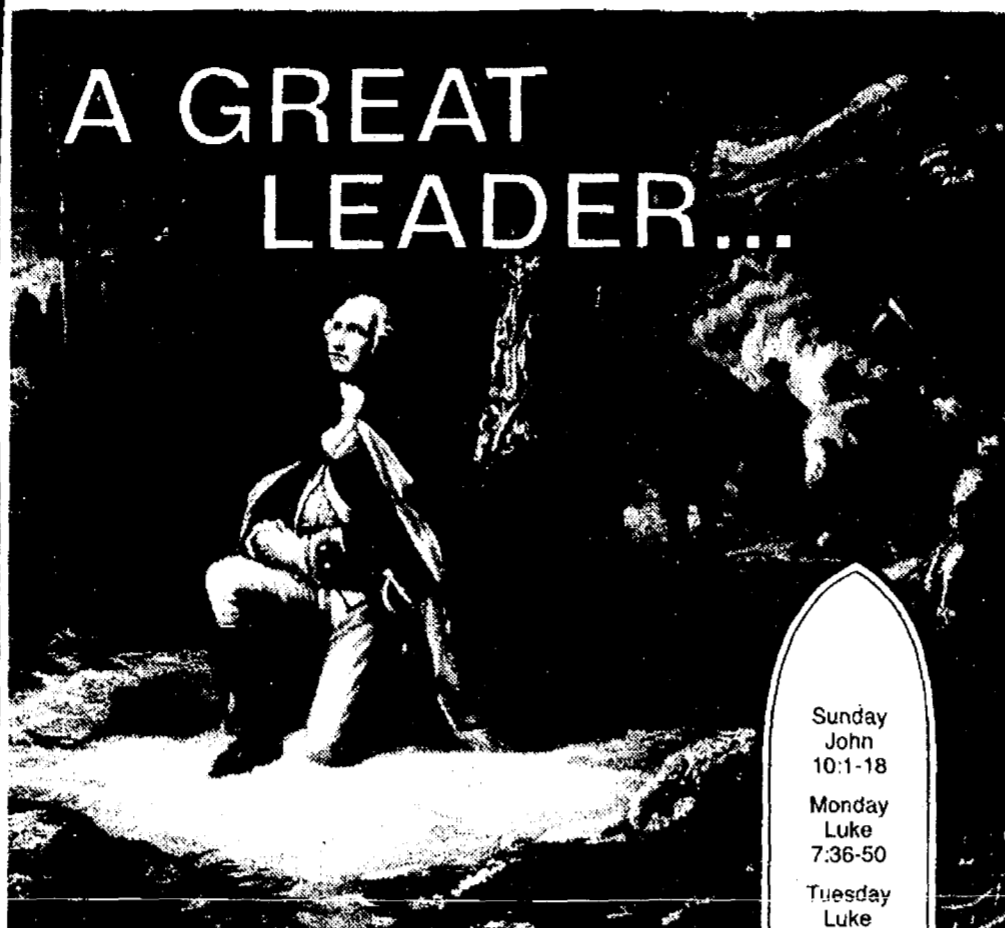
Jesus gave him a stern warning and sent him on his way. Not a word to anyone, now. Christ does not hide His gestures of goodness. But He never forgets His own mission in this world. He does not allow a particular interest to upset the general good. In this situation, His mission demands an action whose final goal is that all people will recognize Him as being the Son of God and Saviour.

In the presence of Christ's miracles, good persons might still think that He is a man with extraordinary power and nothing more. But Jesus desires that His miracles should guarantee His Word. His main desire was to spread His Word. In what way is that Word a source of salvation? It calls us to make an act of faith. Faith in the Word of Jesus and in His Person opens the doors of salvation.

Jesus gives a stern warning to the leper because He does not want His mission detoured by human enthusiasm. He does not want a physical cure to make people concentrate on His ability to heal. He has come to proclaim the Reign of God, and it is this end that He wants to attract our attention. Miracles are merely a way to spread His Word. The true measure of God's goodness is the salvation which we welcome through faith.

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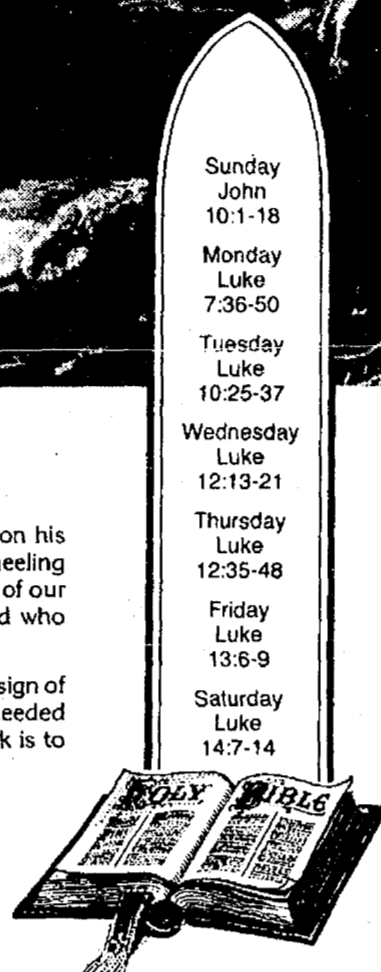


... Still Leads

It has been said that a man is tallest when he is on his knees. The familiar picture of George Washington kneeling in prayer at Valley Forge reminds us that the "Father of our Country" was a man who walked close to God and who taught his soldiers to pray.

Washington recognized that human frailty is not a sign of weakness—that it is the first step toward finding the needed strength. To call upon God for the resources we lack is to supply our deepest want.

The example of our first President still points men to God. Just as George Washington found God's strength available, so do men in our time when they call upon Him in faith. Discover Him in your own life. Worship God in your church or synagogue this week.



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(except the 1st Sunday of the month which is Family Sunday)
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Tuesday: Bible Study 1:00 p.m.
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Sunday Bible Study

Camp Grayling Range Firing

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during Feb. 10-17 in the following areas:

The Small Arms ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin at 8:00 a.m. 10 Feb. and cease at 5:00 p.m. 13 Feb.

Range 13, Mortar Range located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Rd and on the east by Carrier Rd. Firing will begin at 8:00 a.m. 10 Feb. and cease at 5:00 p.m. 13 Feb.

Range 20, Demolition Range located south of Howe Road, west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Road and east of the gas pipeline. Firing will begin at 8:00 a.m. 10 Feb. and cease at 12:00 p.m. 13 Feb.

The Range 40 Complex located north of County Rd 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd 618, and west of County Rd F97 (Twin Bridge Rd). Firing will begin at 8:00 a.m. (Daily) 10 Feb. and cease at 5:00 p.m. (Daily) 13 Feb.

The Ranges will be closed to the public during these periods and all persons are warned to keep out of the areas identified.

Road Commission Minutes

January 8, 1988

A regular meeting of the Crawford County Road Commission was held in their office in Grayling. Chairman Kraus presiding. Present were: Commissioners Grover Cason and Norman Parker, Engineer-Manager John Keir, Accounting Clerk Joanne Thompson, Steve Woodard of Contractors Machinery, Scott Slater of Wolverine Tractor & Equipment, Scott Knowles of Michigan Tractor, Edward Lassa of Northern Michigan Equipment, Jarvis Post of Northern Diesel Power, James Hoffman of Labadie White GMC Truck Center, Ben Bosley of Zaremba Equip., and John Cook of Klooster Equipment.

The minutes of the previous meetings of December 11 and December 28, 1987 were read. Commissioner Parker made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Commissioner Cason. All voted in favor, minutes approved.

Payroll Voucher Number 27 and Number 1 in the amount of \$27,772.80 and Material checks numbered 13073 through 13140 in the amount of \$34,857.28 were presented to the Board for approval of payment. Commissioner Cason made a motion to accept the vouchers, seconded by Commissioner Parker.

Bids were opened at this time for two Tandem Trucks, Grader Blades and a Front End Loader. The results are as follows:

Company	Front End Loader	Tandem Truck	Grader Blades
Hyde Equipment			24.70/31.22
Paper Calmenson			26.27/41.70
Zaremba Equipment		90,199.98	
Thompson			
Sales & Service		79,704.00	
Labadie White GMC		83,706.00	
Central Ford		85,200.00	
Motor City Ford		83,796.00	
Duthler Ford		75,150.02	
Schrammer Tractor	70,942.93		
Wolverine Tractor	65,353.00		
Klooster Equipment	61,795.00		
Northern Diesel	54,853.00		
K M H Equipment	83,786.00		
Contractors			
Machinery	63,615.00		
N. Michigan Equip.	33,300.00		

The Board thanked everyone for attending and shall make a decision after reviewing the bids.

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to have Chairman Kraus remain as Chairman of the Board for the year of 1988.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cason to have Commissioner Parker remain as Vice-Chairman of the Board for the year of 1988.

All voted in favor, all motions stand. Discussion was held on Local Road projects and information was supplied from other counties as to how contributions are handled.

Discussion was also held on the Hearing for Batterson Road in Frederic Township.

Engineer-Manager Keir informed the Board of a County Road Association meeting in Lansing in March and also the Upper Peninsula meeting in February at Marquette.

Chairman Kraus signed an agreement with Robertson & Carpenter, CPA, to conduct the 1987 Financial Audit and Act 61 Report.

Interviews were held for thirteen applicants to fill the position of two vacancies.

A motion to adopt the following Resolution was made by Commissioners Parker and seconded by Commissioner Cason.

WHEREAS, The County Road Association of Michigan has named an AdHoc committee to evaluate present health insurance programs and investigate possible alternatives for all of its membership, and

WHEREAS, the Crawford County Road Commission wishes to join the other members of the County Road Association of Michigan to support the efforts of this special committee, and,

WHEREAS, the Crawford County Road Commission has health insurance with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan, Group Number 14728-900 and Number 14728-000, Cobra, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Crawford County Road Commission to evaluate their present health insurance program and compare it to any possible alternative programs available, and

WHEREAS, it is absolutely necessary to obtain the loss data for the most recent two years of each of the Crawford County Road Commission's groups to make proper evaluations and comparisons;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Crawford County Road Commission does hereby authorize the Alternative Health Insurance Committee and Janet C. Kitamura, Chairperson, to act on behalf of the Commission in any negotiations with Blue Cross and Blue Shield to obtain the necessary loss data and also in assessing any prospective alternatives to the present programs.

All voted in favor, Resolution adopted.

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. All voted in favor, meeting adjourned.

Joanne Thompson Accounting-Clerk Gloria Kraus Chairman

Notice of Mortgage Sale

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by BETTY L. HARCOURT of 205 Chestnut Street, Grayling, Michigan, Mortgagor, to the GRAYLING STATE BANK, a Michigan Corporation, of 305 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, Mortgagee, dated September 20, 1985, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, on the 24th day of September, 1985, in Liber 238 of Crawford County Register, on Page 331, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this action, for principal and interest, the sum of Eight Thousand, Eight Hundred Eighty-eight and 59/100 (\$8,888.59) Dollars.

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof. NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan, in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of May, 1988, at 10:00 a.m., said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Crawford County Building, in the City of Grayling, State of Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof, as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 14.50% per annum, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including real estate taxes which may be paid by the undersigned in order to protect its interest in the premises.

Said premises is situated in the Township of Frederic, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, viz:

The South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 2, Town 27 North, Range 4 West. Included is right of ingress and egress over the existing trail road from the Northwesterly corner of the herein described premises Northerly to the County Road. Also, 1-1973 Champion, mobile home, Serial No. 0339660465, which is permanently attached to the above described premises.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of sale.

Dated: January 25, 1988

Emil L. Kraus, Attorney for the Mortgagee, Grayling State Bank.

Attorney's address: 228 Michigan Ave. Grayling, Michigan 49738

-28-4-11-18-

Notice of Foreclosure Sale

STATE OF MICHIGAN In The 46th Judicial Court For the County of Crawford

Case No. 87-1543-CH (D)

Frederick Stillwell & Lois Stillwell (Husband & Wife)

33559 Bayview New Baltimore, MI 48047

Plaintiffs)

Charles J. Palmer (P39153) Plaintiff's attorney

Hess, Hess & Palmer, P.C. P.O. Box 726

319 Lake Street Roscommon, MI 48653

vs. Donald Flettemier & Barbara Flettemier (Formerly Husband & Wife)

Rt. 1, Box 1712 B Grayling, MI 49738

Defendant(s) Grace Dopp Wegner (P22091)

Defendant's attorney P.O. Box 708 Grayling, MI 49738

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

1. On Nov. 24, 1987 the 46th. Circuit Court of Crawford County Michigan judged in favor of the plaintiff(s), Frederick Stillwell & Lois Stillwell (Husband & Wife) and against the defendant(s), Donald Flettemier & Barbara Flettemier (Formerly Husband & Wife).

2. On March 3, 1988 at public auction to be held at Crawford County Courthouse in this county, I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder all of the right, title and interest of defendant(s) in and to the following property:

Beaver Creek Township, East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 9, T25N, R3E, containing 10 acres more or less.

Subject to all reservations, restrictions, and easements of record, if any.

Said sale shall be held subject to the terms and conditions of the above stated Judgment, as contained in file number 87-1543-CH (D), Crawford County Circuit Court records.

Dated 12/28/87 Elizabeth H. Wieland, County Clerk

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Change Your Own Tune To Help Manage Stress

(Editor's Note: This is a two-part series on managing stress).

By Shelly Maiorana, MPH
Stress management is an important topic for most in-

dividuals and is something we'd like to learn more about. It's important to successfully manage our stress as part of being and becoming masterful in life.

Webster defines stress as: "a constraining force ... a physical or emotional factor that causes bodily or mental tension;" and management as: "the conducting or supervising of something ... the judicious use of means to accomplish an end." And so we come to understand that what stress management means is to handle or direct our stress with a degree of skill.

Some degree of stress is normal, and even beneficial. Stress is a natural human phenomenon and can be a useful factor in helping us get things accomplished. Though it is not all bad, there are some factors you need to know about managing stress.

First, know that stress management is your responsibility. Don't go through life waiting for people or conditions in your life to change. Second, recognize that managing stress is a skill and develops over time with

practice. Things do get better. Every little bit of investment you put into yourself comes back to you in good measure. Third, managing your stress requires an understanding of what your human limitations are.

One of the greatest insights we can give ourselves is to realize that we are constantly having a conversation with ourselves, inside our head. This conversation is so pervasive we don't even know it's happening. Our mind is always judging, evaluating and assessing ourselves and others. Next time you are depressed, tune in to what your mind is telling you.

If you could hold a microphone to the internal conversation, you would hear some very negative, discouraging talk going on. No wonder your body responds with a depressed, tired, unhappy feeling. There is a direct correlation between how you feel and what "the voice" is saying inside.

Our feelings of stress, burnout or depression are a

result of this internal conversation we are having based on our critical, self-limiting, negative judgments. There is hope, however. We can learn to manage our mind by:

- 1.) Recognizing the voice.
- 2.) Realizing that it is you that is speaking.
- 3.) Change what you are telling yourself.

It is like lifting the arm of a record player and changing the tune. How about putting on one with this title: "What did I do well today?" Or you could declare an affirmation, such as, "Everything is on course and working well for me." Just watch how your day unfolds.

(The next article focuses on 10 techniques for managing stress. Shelly Maiorana is Substance Abuse Supervisor at Mercy Hospitals Cadillac/Grayling, where an acute drug and alcohol detoxification program is underway. For more information, call 616-779-7415.)

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FORBUSH CLONES - T28N, R03W, Sec. 29, SE¼ of NE¼, NE¼ of SE¼ and NW¼ of SE¼. Crawford County (Appr. \$4,708.05)

OLD ORCHARD BLOCK - T28N, R03W, Sec. 10, SE¼ of NE¼; N½ of NE¼ of SE¼. Crawford County (Appr. \$7,428.70)

MONARCH PINE BLOCK - T27N, R03W, Sec. 22, NW¼ of SW¼; SW¼ of NW¼; NE¼ of NW¼. Crawford County (Appr. \$5,668.00)

SLIGHTLY BURNED BLOCK - T27N, R01W, Sec. 20, NE/NW; NW/NW/NW; W½/NW/NE. Crawford County (Appr. \$9,260.35)

The right to reject any and all bids is reserved.

Bid forms and envelopes may be obtained from the Area Forest Manager. All bids must be submitted on the bid form and in the Department's bid envelope, or envelope clearly identified.

Bids must be received by James McMillan, Area Forest Manager, Mio Forest Area, AuSable State Forest, not later than 10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 25, 1988. Bids should be mailed to Grayling Field Office, Box 507, 4895 W. County Road, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

For further information concerning this sale, contact James McMillan at 517-348-6371.

GORDON E. GUYER, Director

District Court

The following appeared in 83rd District Court before Judge Michael J. Baumgartner:

Larry Dwayne Drouillard, 21, of Grayling, was bound over to circuit court on a charge of kidnapping, by Judge Michael J. Baumgartner, by assignment. A preliminary examination was held on a charge of assault w/intent to commit murder and kidnapping; court dismissed assault w/intent to commit murder; insufficient evidence. A \$50,000 cash or surety bond was set. He was cited Jan. 5, 1988.

Larry James Farley, 22, of Grayling, was bound over to circuit court on a charge of kidnapping, Judge Michael J. Baumgartner, by assignment. A preliminary examination was held on a charge of assault w/intent to commit murder, and kidnapping; court dismissed assault w/intent to commit murder due to insufficient evidence. A \$30,000 cash or surety bond was set. He was cited Jan. 5, 1988 following a citizen complaint.

Stephanie Renee Wakeley, 18, of Grayling, was bound over to circuit court on a charge of kidnapping; Judge Michael Baumgartner by assignment. Bond was \$50,000 cash or surety. She was cited Jan. 5, 1988 following a citizen complaint.

The following persons appeared in 83rd District Court before Judge Francis L. Walsh:

Larry James Farley, 22, of Grayling, demanded preliminary examination on a charge of attempted murder. A \$50,000 cash or surety bond was set. He was cited Jan. 6, 1988 following a citizen complaint.

Larry Dwayne Drouillard, 21, of Grayling, demanded preliminary on a charge of attempted murder. Bond was \$50,000 cash or surety. He was cited Jan. 6, 1988 following a citizen complaint.

Gary Lee Clark, 39, of Battle Creek, demanded preliminary examination on a charge of resist and obstruct a police officer. Bond was set at \$100.00 cash or surety. He was cited by the sheriff dept. on Jan. 16, 1988.

Billie Lee Chambers, of Kalkaska, plead guilty to a charge of impaired driving. He was fined \$355 or 30 days, license suspended for 90 days. He was cited June 14, 1987 following a citizen complaint.

Wayne Michael Hayes, 41, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of attempted City Ordinance No. 4 - Disorderly person. He was fined \$45 or 5 days. He was cited Oct. 6, 1987.

Letricia Marie Welch, 32, of Flint, plead no contest on an OUIL charge. She was fined \$505 or 60 days, license suspended 2 years, restricted license for work, and 2 years probation. She was cited by the sheriff dept. on July 25, 1986.

John Clifford Moak, 24, of Troy, demanded preliminary examination on a

charge of B & E unoccupied. A personal bond of \$10,000 was set. He was cited 4-15-87 to 5-15-87 following a citizen complaint.

Curt Leo Morency, 36, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of City Ordinance No. 4 - Disorderly person. He was fined \$105 or 10 days. He was cited Sept. 17, 1986 following a citizen complaint.

Curt Leo Morency, 36, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of OUIL. He was fined \$405 or 30 days and license revoked. He was cited by the sheriff dept. Dec. 18, 1985.

Anthony Joseph Hart, 19, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of driving w/suspended license. He received 2 days county jail (w/credit for time spent), \$155 or 14 additional days. He was cited by the city police on Sept. 26, 1987.

Amos James Granneman, 19, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of larceny under \$100. He received 6 months probation. He was cited by the city police on Mar. 9, 1987.

Sean William Brennan, 23, of Port Huron, plead guilty to a charge of OUIL. He was fined \$405 or 30 days, license suspended 6 months and restricted license for work. He was cited by the city police on May 24, 1987.

Joseph James High, 47, of Roscommon, plead guilty to a charge of disorderly person by intoxication - likely to endanger self and others. He was cited Dec. 31, 1987.

William Oliver Wright, 64, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of OUIL. He was fined \$405 or 30 days, license suspended 6 months. He was cited by the city police on Jan. 16, 1987.

Anthony Maurice Rosin, 23, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of embezzlement under \$100. Upon motion of prosecuting attorney, original charge of embezzlement over \$100 amended as above. He was fined \$205 or 30 days, 2 years probation, \$3500. restitution, 60 day jail sentenced at the end probation period. Jail sentence to be suspended if defendant complies with terms of probation. He was cited following a citizen complaint.

Mark Alan Altman, 27, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of reckless driving. He was fined \$205 or 30 days. He was cited by the sheriff dept. on Aug. 20, 1987.

Kenneth Allen Long, 28, of Fountain, plead guilty to a charge of impaired driving. He was fined \$405 or 30 days, license suspended 6 months. He was cited by the sheriff dept. on Aug. 29, 1986.

Robert Edward Gallagher, 49, of Grayling, demanded preliminary examination to a charge of felonious assault. A \$2,500 personal bond was set. He was cited Dec. 30, 1987 following a citizen complaint.

COMMISSION ORDER

CFI-111.88

(Under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended)

STURGEON SPEARING SEASON — STATEWIDE

Under the authority of Act 230, Public Acts of 1925, as amended, being sections 300.1 through 300.5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Natural Resources Commission, at its September 11, 1987, meeting, ordered that for a period of five years it shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take sturgeon by means of spears from the inland waters of this state, except during the month of February of each year.

This order takes effect April 1, 1988, and shall remain in effect through March 31, 1993.

Marlene J. Fluharty, Chairman

Natural Resources Commission

Barbara McLeod

Commission & Legislative Liaison

Countersigned:

Gordon E. Guyer

Director

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COMMISSION ORDER

CFI.104.88

(Under authority of Act 230, Public Acts 1925, as amended)

STATEWIDE TROUT AND SALMON REGULATIONS

Under the authority of Act 230, Public Acts 1925, as amended, being Sections 300.1 to 300.5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Natural Resources Commission, at its December 4, 1987, meeting, ordered that for a period of five years no person shall possess, take or attempt to take, any species of trout or salmon from any of the waters of this state except by hook and line during the open seasons prescribed, and within the minimum size limits and maximum possession limits indicated below.

Statewide open seasons on all trout streams and designated trout lakes shall be from the last Saturday in April through September 30 (longer on trout streams designated by the Director for extended fishing under Act 165) on all trout and salmon; statewide open seasons on all other inland waters, the Saginaw River, and the Great Lakes and connecting waters shall be any time for all trout and salmon; except: on Lake Huron and its tributary streams and on Lake Michigan and its tributary streams where the season on lake trout is from May 1 through August 15. Also, the following areas are established as refuge areas for lake trout rehabilitation and are closed to the taking, keeping, and sport fishing for lake trout.

LAKE MICHIGAN (North part)

All waters enclosed within an area bounded by a line commencing at a point (45°30' latitude, 85°15' longitude) 7¼ miles due west of the northwest corner of Section 30, T36N, R6W, (Emmet County, Michigan) on the Lake Michigan shoreline; then proceeding due west for 12 miles (to 45°30'N latitude, 85°30' longitude); then proceeding due north for 6 miles (to 45°35'N latitude, 85°30' longitude); then proceeding due west for 8 miles (to 45°35'N latitude, 85°40' longitude); then proceeding due north for 11¼ miles (to 45°45'N latitude, 85°40' longitude); then proceeding due west 16 miles (to 45°45'N, 86°00' longitude); then proceeding due south for 40 miles (to 45°10'N latitude, 86°00' longitude); then proceeding due east for 8¼ miles to 45°10'N latitude, 85°50' longitude; then proceeding due north for 6 miles (to 45°15'N latitude, 85°40' longitude); then proceeding due east for 7¼ miles (to 45°15'N latitude, 85°40' longitude); then proceeding due north for 6 miles (to 45°20'N latitude, 85°40' longitude); then proceeding due east 16½ miles (to 45°20'N latitude, 85°20' longitude); then proceeding due north 6 miles (to 45°25'N latitude, 85°20' longitude); then, proceeding due east 4 miles (to 45°20'N latitude, 85°15' longitude); then proceeding northerly to the point of beginning (45°30'N latitude, 85°15' longitude).

LAKE MICHIGAN (Mid Lake)

All waters enclosed within an area bounded by a line commencing at a point 15 miles (43°40' latitude, 87°50' longitude) due west of the northwest corner of Section 36, T15N, R19W, on the Lake Michigan shoreline (Oscoda County); then proceeding 15 miles due west to the Michigan-Wisconsin boundary; then proceeding southerly along the line to a point (43°00'N latitude, 87°05' longitude) due west of the northwest corner of Section 17, T7N, R16W, (Ottawa County) on the Lake Michigan shore; then proceedings due east 13 miles (to 43°00'N latitude, 86°50' longitude); and then northerly to the point of beginning (43°40'N latitude, 86°50' longitude).

LAKE HURON (North end)

All waters enclosed within an area bounded by a line commencing at the southwest corner of Section 17, T41N, R5E (Chippewa County) on the Lake Huron shoreline for the point of beginning and proceeding due south 15 miles (to 45°45'N latitude, 83°50' longitude); then proceeding due east 8 miles (to 45°45'N latitude, 83°40' longitude); then proceeding 6 miles due south (to 45°40'N latitude, 83°40' longitude); then proceeding due east to the Michigan-Ontario border; then proceeding northerly and then northeasterly along said border to a point due south of the southeast corner of Section 1, T41N, R7E (Chippewa County), on the said shoreline, and westerly along said shoreline to the point of beginning.

Size limits shall be 8 inches in Lower Peninsula streams, 7 inches on Upper Peninsula streams, and 10 inches on all lakes. The possession limit for trout and salmon shall be 5 fish singly or in combination but no more than 2 lake trout or splake from Lake Michigan and its tributary streams or 3 lake trout or splake from Lake Superior and Lake Huron and their tributary streams, including the St. Marys River, except that an additional 5 brook or brown trout or pink salmon may be taken from tributary streams, including the St. Marys River, from the last Saturday in April through September 30.

In addition to one day's possession limit of salmon and trout, a person may possess an additional two days' possession limit of processed salmon. For the purposes of this Commission Order, the term processed means:

- (a) Canned in a sealed container
- (b) Cured by smoking or drying
- (c) Frozen in a solid state

Any processed salmon or trout aboard a vessel on the water or at dockside shall be included in the daily possession limit.

This order supersedes the Commission order, entitled "Statewide Trout and Salmon Regulations" effective April 1, 1987, and given number CFI-104.87.

This order shall take effect on April 1, 1988, and shall remain effective through March 31, 1993.

Marlene J. Fluharty, Chairman

Natural Resources Commission

Barbara McLeod

Commission & Legislative Liaison

Gordon E. Guyer, Director

Features

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- Glamed
- Older
- Light rain
- Strolled
- Toward
- Constricts
- Negative
- Exist
- Highways
- Poem
- Route, abbr.
- Finished
- Acetate and Oleate, for example
- Dining cars
- Geller
- The Ger.
- Vises
- Taw
- Tunes
- Hav
- Took to court
- Furnament
- Clock faces
- Young Men's Institute
- Thomas Edison, init.

DOWN

- Seasides
- Gung
- Possess
- Mistakes
- Seasides
- Gung
- Possess
- Mistakes

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWER

1. Eaten away
2. Cow sound, pl.
3. The Ger.
4. Printer's measure
5. Perform
6. Kentucky, for example
7. Those who accomplish
8. Rodent
9. Ria
10. Purchase too much
11. Conditions
12. Unique persons
13. Tear
14. Lupino
15. Social station
16. Probable
17. Most timid
18. Matjue
19. Madagascarian mammals
20. Revises
21. Dine
22. Mist, pl.
23. Adam's son
24. Feather neckpiece
25. Pronoun
26. Close
27. Exist
28. And, Lat.



Doodles From The Tall Timber

Wendell L. Hoover
Park Interpreter

The making of charcoal in the old days was a time-consuming process fraught with danger. First the raggie cleaned off a 30 foot circle of flat ground after which the earth was packed down. This flat circle was called a pit, but it was actually at ground level. Bolts of wood were then stacked up to form a mound-shaped pile up to ten feet high. This pile had a chimney-like opening left in the center.

After the wood was stacked to the satisfaction of the raggie the entire pile of wood was then covered with several inches of wet leaves and then packed dirt so that none of the wood was exposed to the air.

When all was ready the collier or raggie started a fire either at the side or in

the center of the top at the chimney. When the fire was burning well it was covered with dirt and leaves and the raggie went to bed. One authority claims this would be his last full nights sleep for two weeks.

If all went well, by morning the mound would be burning steadily and now he had to keep constant watch to prevent sudden outbreaks of flames which would destroy the whole stack in short order. If flames broke out he piled more dirt and leaves on to stop them.

The dangerous part of the job was called "jumping the pit" which called for the collier to climb to the top of the mound to look for soft spots. As the wood burned it shrank which could let in more air.

To prevent this the collier jumped up and down on the pile until it sagged down which closed the soft spots.

To keep from falling through into the fire, the collier carried a long handled shovel which he held at knee level or he stood on what looked like snowshoes made out of heavy wire.

When the collier thought the gases had been removed from the wood he opened a small hole in the pit or mound and began to remove small amounts of charcoal so they could cool slowly. Bit by bit he removed all the charcoal to cool. After it was cooled he had to peddle it wherever he could find a buyer. Around 1850 or so he received 40 cents a barrel for his charcoal.



Resource Review

Bruce Patrick
Conservation Officer

Every year, complaints of dogs chasing and killing deer are received by Conservation Officers throughout the state. It seems as if every year I try to remind people that this is a serious problem and that any dog left to roam is potentially a part of the problem.

This year, the complaints started coming early. Ordinarily, the middle of January is a period of deep snow and cold weather which

keeps deer deep in protective "yards". This year's mild weather has allowed the deer to move almost at will and has put a crust on top of snow. These conditions are ideal for dogs. Already several complaints have been received. As usual, family pets are the main culprits. Allowed to run, these house dogs can and often do raise havoc with deer.

State law requires that dogs be kept under control,

which means not allowed to run loose. In addition to penalties for violation of this law, a dog owner may be liable for \$1,000 restitution for any deer killed by his/her dog. Further, any law enforcement officer may legally kill a dog found running deer. This is a last resort, but is sometimes necessary.

Please keep your dog tied, and help prevent this problem.



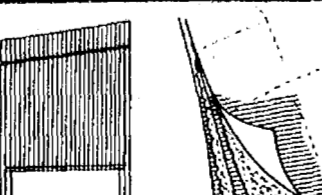
Chunky Peanut Butter Cookies

1 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 tsp. baking powder
1/2 cup margarine, softened
1/2 cup crunchy peanut butter
1/2 cup sugar
1 1/4 tsp. Sweet 'N Low granulated sugar substitute
1 egg
1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
2 tbsp. chopped, unsalted peanuts

In small bowl, mix flour and baking powder. In large bowl, with mixer at medium speed, beat margarine, peanut butter, sugar and Sweet 'N Low until light and fluffy. Beat in egg and vanilla. Stir in flour mixture and peanuts. On waxed paper, shape dough into a roll about 1" x 9 1/2". Dough will be slightly sticky. Wrap in waxed paper, refrigerate until firm, about 4 hours.

Preheat oven to 375°F. With sharp knife, mark dough at 1/4-inch intervals, then slice; place 1 inch apart on ungreased cookie sheet. If necessary, reshape cookies gently with fingers. Bake 6 to 8 minutes or until lightly browned on bottom. Immediately remove cookies to wire rack; cool. Makes 3 dozen cookies.

WHAT'S NEW



Insulating Shades

These insulating shades called Window Quilt cuts up to 81 percent of heat loss and 85 percent of all solar heat gain through glass, making it energy-saving all year round. A 4x5 ft. shade has five insulating layers.

Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast Period: 2/14 - 2/20/88

- ARIES**
Mar. 21-Apr. 19
Hopes and wishes can be realized. Try a new approach in getting associates to accept your ideas.
- TAURUS**
Apr. 20-May 20
Resolve to put a little more effort and hard work into the business. Strive for financial security.
- GEMINI**
May 21-June 20
Discord among family members mars an otherwise pleasant winter vacation. Acting as mediator calls for your unique skills.
- CANCER**
June 21-July 22
Financial matters must be handled with care, especially so if another's friends are involved. Avoid new ventures.
- LEO**
July 23-Aug. 22
Take your lead from a partner. You are very susceptible to the emotional needs of others in your environment.
- VIRGO**
Aug. 23-Sept. 22
Associate with those you can rely on for trustworthy advice. A pivotal point is reached in employment matters.
- LIBRA**
Sept. 23-Oct. 22
Pleasurable pursuits in all directions are on tap for the immediate future. Romantic attachments are part of it.
- SCORPIO**
Oct. 23-Nov. 21
Family and domestic affairs are emphasized. Improvement in the home environment, or the family finances, is quite evident.
- SAGITTARIUS**
Nov. 22-Dec. 21
Curiosity about happenings among family members results in much travel and communication to get to the bottom of things.
- CAPRICORN**
Dec. 22-Jan. 19
Keep a close eye on things you value. Financial dealings should prove favorable. Look for sound investment possibilities.
- AQUARIUS**
Jan. 20-Feb. 18
Never mind what "they" might think. Watch for the opportunity to free yourself of a large load of responsibility.
- PISCES**
Feb. 19-Mar. 20
Avoid association with the pessimist who enjoys self pity. Seek the good things in life and they are yours.

BUDDY'S WORKSHOP

Soundproofing A Teenager's Room

We are ready to finish our basement, and our teenager's bedroom will be part of the remodeling. Like every teen, he likes to have his stereo full blast all the time. How can we make the room soundproof? Do we have to install acoustical tile?

Since you haven't started building yet, you can do a great deal of soundproofing without having to install expensive tile. If it's possible, alternate the studs when you build the walls to the bedroom. In other words, the outside wall will be supported by one set of studs while the inside wall will be supported by the other studs. You can also weave insulation batts between the staggered studs to further dampen noise. Doubling the wallboard will also help. Soundproofing the ceiling can be done by dropping it several inches, and using air or insulation to help muffle sounds.

Keep in mind, however, that a lot of sound escapes a room by other methods. It goes under doors, through heat or air conditioning ducts, and through holes made from water pipes. Look for these and soundproof them, too.

My neighbor had a humidifier installed in his home, and I can really tell a difference. Are there any other advantages of a humidifier besides getting rid of static electricity?

There are plenty of advantages. As the air in your house gets drier, the wood in your house gets drier, too. That includes the wood in your furniture as well as moldings and trim. This is why you may see cracks during the winter that aren't present the rest of the year. Your family will also be less susceptible to winter time colds and dry skin. Finally, cooler indoor temperatures are much more bearable when the humidity is around 40 percent.

Poet's Corner

Mothers

They love, they care, they know what's best;
They seem to have no time to rest;
They always seem to give advice;
To helpful corners in our lives;
You never know just what they'll do;
They are very special yes it's true;
We'll always love them, and we know;
They'll always be a blessing;
For me, for you, for anyone;
Who just might need them too!

Kaethe (Kate) Callewaert, age 11

(Avalanche readers are invited to submit poems for this corner. Please send only one double-spaced typed poem at a time with your name and address. The Poet's Corner does not reflect the view or policies of the Avalanche. The opinions expressed are those of the author.)

Verse or Worse

By Joseph D. Murphy

Say I Love You

How long has it been since you said "I love you",
To those near and dear to you?
Don't you think they would like to hear it?
Is it so hard for you to do?

I know you love your family
But you somehow forget to say
Those little words "I love you",
That would brighten up their day.

Wouldn't you like to have your children
Say "I love you", now and then.
Perhaps, we would all feel better.
Feel like a family once again.

Wouldn't your parents like to hear it?
Now, while they're here to feel the love,
Instead of flowers on their graves,
After they have gone above.

So why don't you just try it
As you talk to them today.
Just say the little words "I love you",
Before it's too late for you to say.

Most of us have someone
Who would like to hear it, today.
Can't we speak the words "I love you",
Are they really that hard to say?

from HISTORY'S SCRAPBOOK

DATES AND EVENTS FROM YESTERYEARS

- February 11, 1958—R.C. Taylor became first black airline stewardess.
- February 12, 1880—John L. Lewis, United Mine Workers of America president, 1920-60, born Lucas, Iowa.
- February 13, 1935—Bruno R. Hauptmann found guilty of kidnap-murder of Lindbergh infant.
- February 14, 1912—Arizona admitted to Union as 48th state.
- February 15, 1964—Teamsters negotiated first national labor contract.
- February 16, 1942—British surrendered Singapore.
- February 17, 1801—House of Representatives on the 36th ballot elects Thomas Jefferson president over Aaron Burr, with whom he had tied on the electoral vote.

BINGO

SATURDAY

7:00 p.m.

Frederic

Vol. Fire Dept.

Basement Frederic

Township Hall

7-14-21-28

SUNDAY

2:00 pm-6:00 pm

Luzerne

American Legion

2/20/1

SUNDAY

6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

AMVETS Post 13

AuSable Rd. off Old 27

(SW side of Higgins Lake)

HIGGINS LAKE

2/25/1-7/8

SUNDAY

HANSON HILLS BINGO

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AT THE K OF C HALL

804 Norway St., Grayling

9/24/1

TUESDAY

7:00 P.M.

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3/8/1

WEDNESDAY

6:30 to 11 p.m.

KNIGHTS OF

COLUMBUS

804 Norway St.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN

2/21/1

WEDNESDAY

6:30 P.M.

St. Francis of Assisi

Church, Lewiston

6/7/1

THURSDAY

AMERICAN

LEGION HALL

Post 106

7:00 p.m.

GRAYLING

3/27/1

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THANK YOU!!

The Zonta Club of Roscommon County Area wishes to thank all of our friends in the community for helping to make our Koeze Nut Sale a success. Your help makes our help possible.

STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

FEBRUARY 1, 1988

Wolverine Power Supply Cooperative, Inc., P.O. Box 369, Boyne City, Michigan, 49712, has filed with the Federal Government a Compliance Assurance in which it assures the Rural Electrification Administration that it will comply fully with all requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Rules, Regulations of the Department of Agriculture issued thereunder, to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin, or on the basis of handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the conduct of its program and the operation of its facilities. Under this Assurance, this organization is committed not to discriminate against any person on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, or on the basis of handicap, in its policies and practices relating to applications for service or any other policies and practices relating to treatment of beneficiaries and participants including rates, conditions and extension of service, use of any of its facilities, attendance at and participation in, any meetings of beneficiaries and participants or the exercise of any rights of such beneficiaries and participants in the conduct of the operations of this organization.

Any person who believes himself, or any specific class of individuals, to be subjected by this organization to discrimination prohibited by Title VI of the Act and the Rules and Regulations issued thereunder may, by himself or a representative, file with the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250, or this organization, or all, a written complaint. Such complaint must be filed no later than 180 days after the alleged discrimination, or by such later date to which the Secretary of Agriculture or the Rural Electrification Administration extends the time for filing. Identity of complainants will be kept confidential except to the extent necessary to carry out the purposes of the Rules and Regulations.



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Business

Grayling Triple AAA Ranks 7th Overall in State

Ranking among the top half of 260 Triple AAA field agents in Michigan for 1987 would have pleased Linda Stephens, of Grayling. Especially after just starting her Triple AAA business in Grayling on July, 1987.

When she found out she ranked 7th out of 260 agents for overall production in 1987, she could hardly

believe it.

"The response has been wonderful," said Stephens, who started with Triple AAA at an office in Owosso in 1984. "I've had so many people tell me they've just been waiting for Triple AAA up here."

Stephens does not have a limited sales territory. She makes house calls and has

By Don Geiss

Hidden away in a corner of Grayling behind the stores on Michigan Avenue and along the Millpond is a little known business called the Crawford County Title and Abstract.

Although the general pub-

lic may not have the need directly for the service rendered, it would have been a helpful friend to anyone who has purchased a home in the area in the past 30 years or so. According to James Harris, the owner, the company checks on the titles to

property to be certain that they are free and clear before someone buys it.

Harris said that almost all of the business comes from realtors and lending institutions who want to make sure for a buyer, that they will never have a conflict with someone else about the ownership. He said that in effect his company takes out an insurance policy with the First America Title Insurance Company of North America to protect a person who has purchased a piece of property.

In the office there is a film of everything in the way of a property transaction that has ever been recorded at the Register of Deeds office in the County Building. It enables Harris, and employees Ruth Gorman and Nanette Ferrigan to check out a title to be certain there are no en-

cumbrances. Gorman has worked for the organization since it began.

Originally the business belonged to Bud Hunter who operated it from the old County Building until about 1968 when the new County Building was completed. He then constructed the present facility behind Spike's Keg O' Nails. Accompanying him in the move was Gorman who has been with the operation since it began in 1957 and of course remains with Harris today.

In 1974, Hunter sold the business to the title insurance company and Harris at the time worked for them. Subsequently he purchased it from them but still uses them as the insurer. He said that unlike other insurance companies, this one insures the past rather than what might hap-

pen in the future.

Harris said that the title for a piece of property is examined back at least 40 years to be certain it is free and clear. He noted that a lending institution wants to be certain that they have the first mortgage on a property. If there is a lien against it, he notifies the prospective lender so that steps are taken to pay off that lien before the money is loaned.

Once a title is determined to be free and clear, Harris said, a commitment is made to write the title insurance. After the purchase of the property is finalized, an insurance policy is issued. He noted that in the policy are provisions for various types of relief if it should ever happen that a property title is challenged.

Harris said that the insurer would be liable to de-

fend the buyer in court regardless of the cost. He said that it could be in the extreme case that a property might have to be bought back from the purchaser. He noted that at times they have run across records where a piece of land might have a difference of description in the current transaction and a previous one. In that case, Harris noted a new survey would be requested.

While Harris talked about the extreme cases where a title might be in question, he appeared to feel as though it was practically unheard of once their service is rendered. He gives off the type of confidence where one gets the feeling that he would be very unhappy to ever find that a mistake had been made in issuing a policy. That simply must not happen, he appears to be saying.

... about your Social Security

REPORT SSI CHANGES

People who receive supplemental security income (SSI) checks should know that they must report changes in their situation that can affect the amount of their check.

Failure to report a change can cause an overpayment of SSI that must be repaid, or may cause the person to miss out on money he or she

should get.

Any change in income, assets, or living arrangements should be reported within 10 days of the change. People should report:

- Starting, or any change in checking or savings accounts, a Christmas club, or certificates of deposit.

- If their name is on a joint bank account with someone else, even if the person get-

ting SSI does not use the account.

- Any change in earnings from a job, or income from any source, including getting help with bills or expenses.

- If a person moves, or enters a hospital, nursing home, or other institution.

- If someone moves into or out of the person's house, or there is a birth or death in the household.

- Buying or selling real estate, or any other kind of property.

- Marriage or divorce.

- If a disabled or blind person's medical condition improves, or if he or she starts a job.

Changes can be reported by telephone, in writing, or in person. The Social Security office is located at 1111 E. Front St., Traverse City, MI 49684. The telephone number is (616) 946-8360. Hours are 9:00-4:30, Monday through Friday. For the fastest service, try to avoid calling during the early part of the week or month, or during the busy lunch hour.

A representative is at the County Building in Grayling on the first and third Tuesday of each month, from 10:30 until 2:00. There is no telephone service at this location.

Dinner Theatre Offers 'A Nostalgia Trip'

Would you like to take a trip back in time, back to the good old days? Back to the time of bathtub gin, floating crap games, smoke filled speak-easy and music you could dance to? You can do just that on Thursday, Friday, or Saturday, February 11, 12, or 13. All you need to do is order your reserved seat ticket for the next production at the Grayling Holiday Inn Dinner Theatre. On those evenings they will be presenting an original musical production entitled D.J.'s Blind Pig.

The production of D.J.'s Blind Pig is designed to be less a stage play and more an "evening of fun and nostalgia." The setting is a speak-easy during the late 1920's, complete with dancing girls, illegal gambling and prohibition booze.

To enter the theatre, you will not only need your tic-

ket, but you will also have to know the "password" and go through the ritual of "Knock three times and say Joe sent me." From that point on, you will be in a world that has been untouched by airplanes, television and electronic music.

Reserved seat tickets for D.J.'s Blind Pig are presently on sale at the sales office of the Grayling Holiday Inn. They can be ordered by phone by calling 348-7611 or 1-800-292-9055. Included in the \$15 ticket price is your reserved seat for the performance, a complete buffet dinner featuring a minimum of three entrees, and a guarantee that you will forget the cares of today's world and enjoy an evening of "prohibition." To make your evening even more fun, we suggest that you come dressed appropriately for an evening out during the late 1920's.

One Person CPR Course Offered at Mercy Hospital

"One Person CPR," a three-hour training session for area residents interested in learning this life-saving technique, will be held Thursday, Feb. 18, sponsored by Mercy Hospital, Grayling.

This American Heart Program is designed for the general public and is open to anyone. The session will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Riverside Room of Mercy Hospital. There is no fee for the instruction. If you wish to receive a certification in Module A — One Person CPR, there will be a \$5 charge.

This is the first of two mid-winter CPR programs offered by Mercy Hospital, Grayling. The second program will provide instruction on CPR for infants and children. This program is especially critical for new parents, for parents who live long distances from town, or for those parents with children who have apnea problems. Babysitters are also encouraged to attend this program.

Infant/Children CPR will be held March 3 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Riverside Room of Mercy Hospital. Again, there will be fee unless certification is desired. There is a \$5 fee for all cards issued.

Individuals interested in the Feb. 18 or March 3 programs should contact Pat Hanson, Community Services Coordinator, at 348-5461, extension 120, or Judy Banda, Education Coordinator, at 348-5461, extension 121 for information and registration.

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CARD OF THANKS

The family of Opal V. Slagle would like to thank the doctors and nurses of Mercy Manor for the excellent care they gave our mother. We would also like to take this time to thank the American Legion Auxiliary for the nice lunch they put on for our family.

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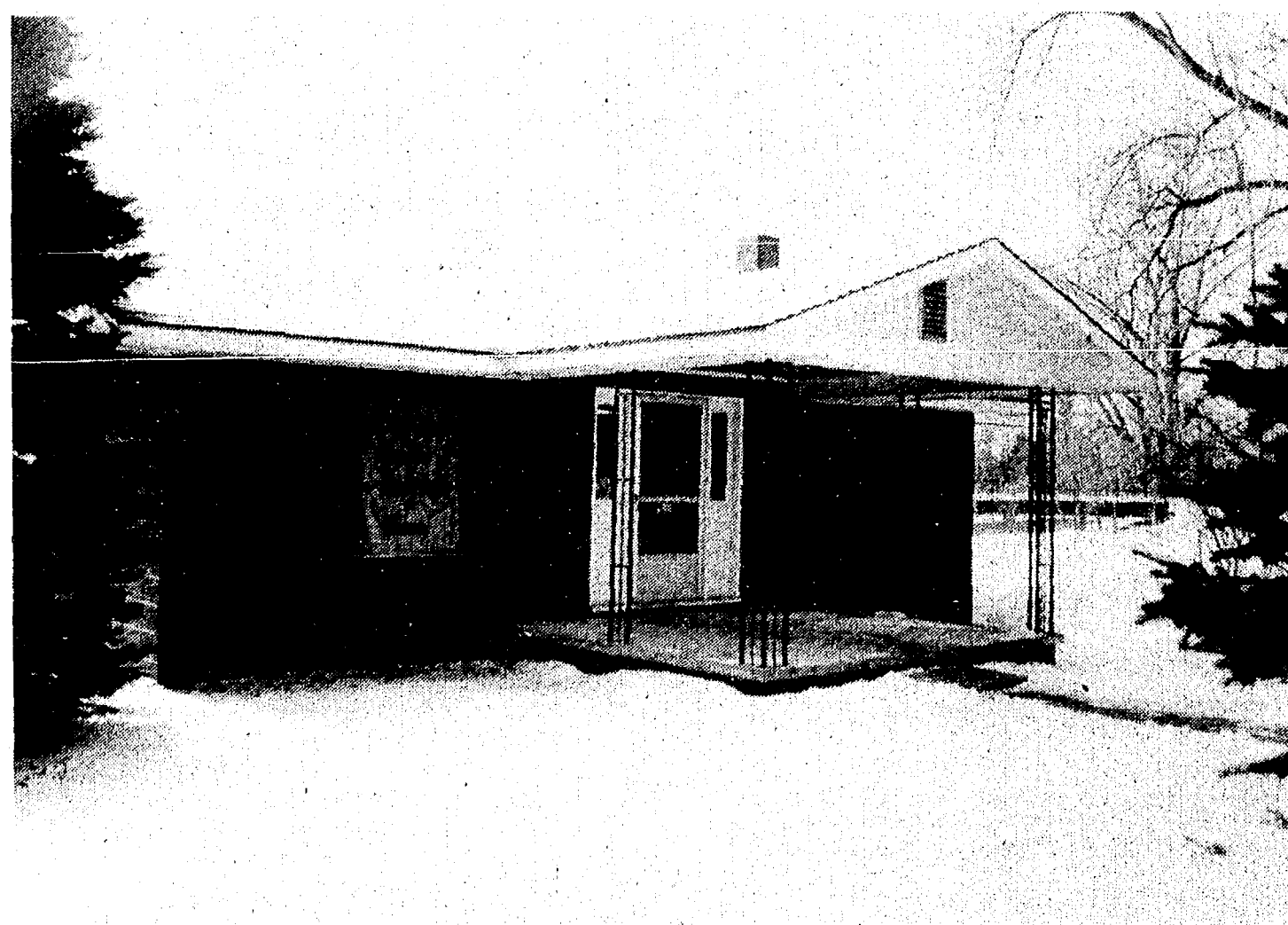
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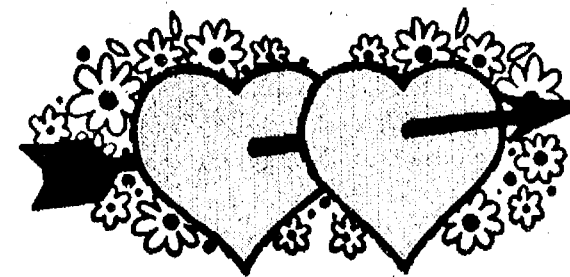


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